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### Northern settlements demand NIS 2.3b

INDUSTRIALISTS and government officials yesterday estimated the direct damage inflicted on. the husinesses and home owners in the North at NIS 200 million, while local leaders demanded the government lannch NIS 2.3 billion in reconstruction

Finance Minister Avraham Shohat visited Kiryat Shmona yesterday and pledged the government would give priority to repairing the damage and rebuilding the communities, with specific emphasis on Kiryat Shmona, which bore the brunt of the attacks

He said that he would formulate an emergency program within two weeks for the northern

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MONDAY APRIL SHIPS OF MAR 10 3455

Prime Minister Shimon Peres is escorted by US Army Col. David Hantoon as he inspects troops at the Pentagon yesterday.(AP)

### 12,000 return to Kiryat Shmona **DAVID RUDGE and Itim**

devoted to a discussion of Opera-

cial tutoring for high school pu-

pils who must take matriculation

Teachers have been given spe-

cial instruction on the early de-

tection of pupils' emotional prob-

lems, especially anxiety and the

It was decided to provide spe-

tion Grapes of Wrath.

exams next month.

BY yesterday afternoon an estimated 12,000 residents had returned to Kiryat Shmona, following the cease-fire agreement reached on Friday. Many of them took advantage of free bus trans-portation provided by Egged, which accepted ID cards with Kiryat Shmona home addresses in lieu of tickets.

Repair work began yesterday on homes and public buildings in Kiryat Shmona and other front line towns and villages hit by Kavusha rockets.

Most of the schools and kindergartens damaged by Katyusha fire have been repaired enough to open today, except for one daycare center that took a direct bit. inability to concentrate, due to

Deputy Education Minister Mi-On a tangible level, the city cha Goldman met with town officouncil decided to spruce up Kiryat Shmona with a clean-up and cials yesterday and heard a review of preparations for the resumption gardening campaign.
"We'll do everything we can in of classes, including extra psychologists and special programs dealing with the fighting. The first two hours of classes today are to be.

the next few weeks to erase every sign of the war," said Mayor Prosper Azran.

"We'll decorate the town with flowers and flags and concern ourselves with the quality of life." In another sign of a return to normalcy, the forward emergency room operated in Kiryat Shmona

are working out a surplus vote agreement, Likud and Shas sources confirmed last night. during the fighting by Rebecca Sieff Hospital of Safed was closed According to Likud sources, the signing of the agreement yesterday and the huilding handed could lead to a Shas endorseback to Magen David Adom. ment of Netanyahu for prime minister.

If the deal goes through, it would be the first time a religious party signs a surplus vote agreement with a secular one.

Likud,

Shas close to

surplus vote

pact

LIKUD leader Binyamin Netan-

yahu and Shas leader Aryeh Deri

In 1992, Shas signed a surplus vote deal with United Torah Judaism, which decided this time to sign an agreement with the National Religious Party, fearing that a deal with Shas would lead to their votes going to the left-

# US, Israel sign missile defense pact

WASHINGTON

PRIME Minister Shimon Peres and US Secretary of Defense William Perry yesterday signed an agreement providing Israel with immediate assistance for defense against Katyushas and extensive cooperation in long-term laser missile defense.

The US will provide Israel with intelligence "in a manner of seconds on a ballistic missile launch." Perry said.

The two agreed to jointly develop a prototype of the Nautilus anti-missile laser system defense that will be available for testing in Israel by late 1997. Perry told reporters at a Pentagon news conference following their two-hour

President Bill Clinton and Peres were scheduled to meet last night to discuss the Middle East peace process and the cease-fire in southern Lebanon, a White House spokeswoman said.

They were to speak at a meeting of the American Israeli Public Affairs Committee and were planning to meet later at the

White House.
The US will send a delegation of specialists to Israel next week to inaugurate the program, to investigate interim means of detending the Galilee against Ka tyushas, and to explore additional areas of security coop-

eration, Perry said. The working group will be led by Undersecretary of Defense for Policy Walter Slocum and Defense Ministry Director-General David Ivry, Pentagon spokesman Kenneth Bacon said.

In outlining the contents of the agreement. Peres said, "The important thing is the interim anti-Katyusha weapons [system].' Perry said the two also discussed further cooperation in

anti-terrorism efforts. weeks, the working group will

Within the next three-and-a-half have decided precisely how Isra-

el's satellite access will work, Ivry told Israeli reporters last night. Among the temporary options being considered is a close-in sys-

tem, known as Phalanx, currently mounted on American warships to shoot down incoming missiles, Bacon said. The system is shorter-range than the Nautilus and "is not the perfect weapon to deal with these problems," he said.

If such a system is settled on, it would be operated by Israelis, Bacon added.

The administration intends to commit to spending \$50 million for Nautilus development over the next three fiscal years, with Israel contributing \$20 million, Bacon said.

The first Nautilus test was conducted earlier this year in New

Bacon said work on Nautilus deployment may proceed simultaneously with the development phase, but this is not certain. The Pentagon will soon approach Congress for funding, he added.

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The developments, as well as Secretary of State Warren Christopher's brokering of the ceasefire arrangement last week, are "opening a new road on the way to peace" and are an effort to "stop the attempt to stop it,"

Peres said. He also said that the arrangement paves the the way for re-

Peres said he feels confident the truce in Lebanon will hold. "It is holding. I believe it can hold on," he said at Blair House, the government guest house across Pennsylvania Avenue from the White House.

"The next step will be the renewal of negotiations with the Palestinians, opening the last and third stage of the negotiations for a permanent solution."

Perry also told reporters the US takes seriously Iran's possession of short-range ballistic missiles that "already pose a threat" to Israel, and believes Iran is trying to develop long-range ballistic missiles.

IN a massive joint operation among the police, the Customs and VAT Authority, and tax investigators, 18 persons suspected of organizing a sophisticated sports betting operation were arrested early yesterday.

Police and tax authorities said the organization made millions monthly in a method adopted from the US, whereby sportsmen would take money for fixing games, thus custom making the odds for the gamblers. Sportsmen, including soccer and basketball players and trainers, are to be summoned by

police probing whether they were involved in Four alleged gang leaders were remanded for four days by Petah Tikva Magistrate's

Court yesterday; the others were released on The investigation, which started several months ago, was helped by an informant, compulsive gambler Yitzhak Hagoel, who

Police, VAT, and income tax investigators confiscated large sums of money in cash and checks, 17 computers, 150 computer discs, lists, and notebooks from the homes of those

Supt. Ezra Mevurach, of the National Crimes Squad, told the court that Aharon Davidian, of Bat Yam, was the head of the gambling ring. Police seized computers and discs, notebooks, a bank deposit slip for NIS 100,000, and a large sum of unexplained money at his home.

Davidian refused to cooperate with police. Judge Nira Daskin remanded him for four

Also remanded for four days was former Betar Jerusalem footballer Shlomo Shirazi. Police found documents and a large sum of money at his home. Three transactions allegedly proving Shirazi's involvement were taped

and filmed by Hagoei.

Yitzhak Segal, the gang's alleged banker, was also remanded for four days. He is suspected of coordinating and organizing illegal gamhling operations on sports games here and abroad since 1990. Police also said he helped fix football and baskethall games, and smuggled money abroad.

Yosef Suzin was also remanded. The gang's alleged debt collector, Yosef Dvash, was re-All the suspects allegedly evaded income

tax and VAT payments. Investigations chief Cmdr. Yossi Levy said the gang's monthly turnover was NIS 2 mil-tion-NIS 3 miltion, and that many others, including gamblers and athletes, will be questioned when the authorities wade through the computer discs, documents, and bank account

Right now, said National Crime Squad (Continued on Page 2)

#### was paid a substantial sum by the authorities. Hassan: Peace process in danger if Peres loses

PARIS (Reuter) - King Hassan II of Morocco has given implicit backing to Prime Minister Shimon Peres, saying the Middle East peace process would be in jeopardy if he lost next month's election.

The risk of a majority changeover (in Israel] does not bode well for the peace process and this is an understatement," Hassan told Le Figuro in an interview released

Peres visited Rabat last December, a year after Morocco and Israel established low-

level diplomatic ties.

Hastan, interviewed before Friday's accord for a cease-fire in south Lebanon, also said he believed President Jacques Chirac could regain a role for France in the Middle

"He is moving. I think he has strong Arab contacts. I believe his action can be positive ... He has a sense for moderation, calling Chirac "a friend of 20

years." Hassan, who has long played a behind-thescenes role in Middle East peace efforts, said both Jews and Moslems must ask God to save

We must pray ... to prevent a disaster," he

He said a new Arab-Israeli war would have long-lasting consequences as it could involve chemical weapons on one side and nuclear weapons on the other.

the peace process.

He also said he had advised Palestinians and Israelis to leave the issue of Jerusalem for the very last stage of negotiations.

### Gunman kills at least 33 at Australia tourist site

PORT ARTHUR, Australia - A mentally ill gnnman killed 33 people in Australia's worst shootmg rampage yesterday and was holding hostages, demanding a helicopter to leave the scene in the island state of Tasmania.

The 29-year-old gunman, holed up in a small guest house after picking off his victims with a high-powered rifle at a nearby tourist attraction, made the demand as police negotiated with him to release the hostages and

surrender. Thirty Australians, two Canadians, and one victim whose nationality was not immediately



#### News agencies

them were in satisfactory condiknown died at the hands of the gunman, whose identity is known, police said. Several chilcritical. dren and a baby were reported

The slaughter in southeast Tasmania was the worst shooting massacre in Australia this

"Various massacres would pale into insignificance when you look at what has happened in Tasmania," Tasmanian Police Commis-

sioner John Johnson said. Some 200 police officers surrounded the bed-and-breakfast cottage in southeast Tasmania in which police believed the gunman held three people.

He fired sporadically upon anthorities trying to negotiate with him, Johnson said. Eighteen people were seriously

wounded, police said. Ten of

tion; four were serious; and four Some 500 Australian and for-

eign tourists were at the site some 50 kilometers southeast of Hohart.

Wendy Scurr, who was working at the front desk of the Port Arthur historic site, said she phoned for help and then "ran for my life along with hundreds of

other people at the site." "He wasn't going bang-bangbang-bang. It was 'bang,' and then he'd pick someone else out and line them up and shoot them," witness Phillip Milburn told Australian Broadcasting

Corp. radio. Police coordinating telephone negotiations with the gunman said early on Monday that the Hobart man had a history of mental illness and seemed incoherent.

"He has been undertaking medical treatment for some problems that he has had," Tasmanian assistant police commissioner Luppo Prinz told Reuters, saying members of the gonman's family were helping police with

their negotiations. Prinz said it was possible that a personal dispute had sparked off the shooting spree, but police had been unable to make much sense of comments by the gunman, who they said had made no mention of the shooting.

The man advanced on two tourist buses, killing several tourists in each one and one driver. He then fired on cars approaching the gates to the site.

Port Arthur was the historic landing site of some of the toughest convicts England sent into Australian exile in the 1800s.

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#### DR. BERNIE STEIN

Stein is the Education Ministry's chief psychologist How has the ministry prepared for the return of Kiryat Shmona pupils to school?

Firstly, you must remember that this is the longest period Kiryat Shmona residents were forced to stay in shelters. During the two weeks, local psychologists were on call, traveling from shelter to shelter, helping children and parents whenever necessary. Others were in constant touch with residents who were evacuated to other parts of the country. School principals and teachers have received instructions and guidelines preparing for any eventuality.

The ministry has also boosted psychological services in the North and has given the services an open hand in dealing with problems. There is an open budget. We have also added two full-time workers to set up a family treatment clinic that will give psychologists more time to evaluate and treat the people.

Do you expect any rivalry between children who left and those who stayed behind?

Teachers will have to navigate between the pupils and make it very clear to the kids that the decision to evacuate wasn't theirs. You can't predict how people will react. During the whole operation, there was uncertainty as to how long it would last. In the beginning, people were told it would be a matter of days and yet it turned into weeks.

How long do you think it will take for pupils to "return to nor-

It will take time. Some children who were evacuated will related their different experiences, others will be glad to return home to their friends and familiar surroundings. Others will return to find their homes damand familiar surroundings. Orders will retain to find their belongings destroyed. Children are pretty resilient, but these kids are remarkable considering all they have gone through.

Margot Dudkevitch

### Report: Hizbullah men stopped in South America

SOUTH American police recently apprehended at the Paragnay-Argentina border Hizbullah terrorists on their way to attack a Jewish institution, Army Radio reported yesterday. The attack was planned in response to the IDF operation in Lebanon, the radio said.

Jerusalem Post Staff

With deep sorrow we announce the passing of our mother and mother-in-law

#### **MINA GIVTON**

widow of Hanoch Givton

For information about the funeral please call (03) 7516407.

Netta and Ittamar Givton

We sadly announce the passing of our beloved mother and grandmother

#### **LOTTE BARGEBUHR**

The funeral will take place today, Monday, April 29, 1996 (lyar 10, 5756), at 4:30 p.m. at the Ness Ziona Cemetery.

> Her daughters and sons-in-law Esther and Ovadia Rabi Ness Ziona Kate and Nachum Kedar Beersheba grandchildren and great-grandchildren



#### **Bar-Ilan University**

mourns the passing of

#### ARMIN KRAUSZ 7"

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Our deepest condolences to Mr. Neville Krausz, Mrs. Sylvia Fishman, and his nephew. Prof. Ernest Krausz, a former rector of Bar-lian University.

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Our beloved aunt

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left us on April 25, 1996. She bequeathed her body to science.

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on April 26, 1996

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Kiryat Shmona begins

cleaning up the mess

Eliahu after spending the day try-

ing to clear up the mess in their

lives had been spared simply because they they were several

bundred kilometers away from

their home when the Katyusha

Thursday, just to see how every-

thing was and to water the plants.

I wanted to stay, but my husband

said that for the children's sake

we should leave again. He was

can't even live in. But walls can

be rebuilt and so can kitchens and

bathrooms. I'm afraid that if we

had stayed here, we wouldn't have any children - or children

"I hope that this was the last

Syria says truce

shows importance

the same as they are now.

"I came back to find a home we

"We came back to our home last

She also cried because their

CHIEF of General Staff Lt.-Gen. Amnon

Shahak told the Nahariya gathering that

while there are differences between the agree-

ments that ended Grapes of Wrath and its pre-

decessor. Operation Accountability, this is not

differences between the various past agree-

ments, but to examine the reality and ascertain

whether these agreements or understandings provide a basis for a situation in which it will

be possible to keep the entire North out of the circle of fighting," Shahak said.
"Whoever reads the understandings ... and

comprehends what has been said clearly to the

other side, can understand that the residents of

the North can feel themselves out of the circle

of fighting, if the understandings are fully upheld."

MAZAL Eliahu returned to her

home in Kiryat Shmona on

Saturday - and broke down in

She came alone, hitchhiking from Tel Aviv, because her hus-

band Yair is observant and waited

Eliahu, 30, took one look at the

home she and her husband had

built and cried. She cried because

their home was the last one to be

hit in the Katyusha attacks just a

few minutes before the cease-fire

She cried because the hathroom

and the kitchen were totally

destroyed. She cried because she

was alone and because this would

be the only time she could do so

before Yair and their three chil-

dren - six, four and three -

"I had to be strong for the chil-dren, hut it's very hard," said

BETTING

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head Dep.-Cmdr. Yoram Rud-

sioner Arveh Zeif said that if it is

revealed that soccer and hasket-

ball players and trainers were ac-

mediate action.

until the end of Shabbat.

deadline.

The most important thing is not to find the

that ended Operation Grapes of Wrath.

### Shahak: North is out of 'circle of violence'

BATSHEVA TSUR and Itim

Lipkin-Shahak told a meeting of confrontation Asked about the achievements of Operation Grapes of Wrath, Shahak replied: "We did everything we intended to do during the operline council heads yesterday that residents of the North could now feel themselves outside the circle of violence, following the understandings

Earlier in the day, Shahak told the cabinet that Syria is well aware the IDF is still able to hit back at Hizbullah, even if the terrorists take refuge in Lebanese villages.

As he briefed the cabinet on Operation Grapes of Wrath, several ministers reportedly expressed annoyance that Shahak had seen fit to brief the media before informing them.

The cabinet met under the chairmanship of

Internal Security Minister Moshe Shahal in the absence of Prime Minister Shimon Peres, who is visiting Washington. It took the opportunity to express thanks to the IDF for the operation and took note of the fact there had been no IDF casualties. The ministers also expressed appreciation to the residents of the confrontation

Special appreciation and thanks went to US

Shmona, but my mind won't let

my heart believe that, unfortu-

those who remained in Kiryat

Shmona throughout Operation

Grapes of Wrath and the Katyusha

"I grew up here and I'm not afraid of Katyushas. None of us

left. If you are fated to die, you

will die, whatever the circum-

"I don't think there was any rea-

son for people to leave, but

because of the young children, they were afraid and left. We

stayed with all the children and

we are okay, and Kiryat Shmona is alive and well.

"I came to Kiryat Shmona in 1955. I grew up here and raised my family here. This is my home

and I will die here," said Azulai.

the agreement are really considered a big achievement and a real

victory in all meanings and that was reflected on Lebanon first and

the region second," the commen-

stances. If not, not," he said.

Haim Azulai, 61, was among

nately," she added.

attacks that preceded it.

President Bill Clinton and Secretary of State Warren Christopher for their "great efforts" in

helping to achieve the cease-fire.

In an official communique, the cabinet also expressed "deep sorrow over the attack against Lebanese civilians in Kana as the result of accidental Israeli shelling." However, it under-scored the responsibility of Hizbullah and the Lebanese government for "the circumstances which brought about the incident."

OC Northern Command Maj.-Gen. Amiram Levine was among those who visited Kirvat Shmona yesterday. He told reporters the IDF and South Lebanese Army have the right to defend themselves in future attacks by Hizbullah in the security zone.

Clear instructions have been given to every IDF and SLA soldier that they have the right and obligation to defend themselves. If they come under fire they can return fire to wherever it originates," said Levine.

He said this would apply even if gunnen fire from inside or close to villages north of the

AMERICAN OUTLOOK

The American Outlook section. which should have appeared in yesterday's paper, will appear

### Applying accord will be real test

Lubrani:

DAVID RUDGE

THE US-brokered agreements reached to end Operation Grapes of Wrath are better than the 1993 understandings, but the real test will be in the way they are imple-mented, Uri Lobrani, the government's coordinator on Lebanon.

He stressed that the accords are not a peace agreement, although they could prove a springbo for future negotiations with

Lebanon and Syria.

These understandings are much more elaborate, firm, and clear than the ones of 1993. They are better understandings and cover the secucity not only of civilians in northern Israel, but also those in the security zone and those north of the zone

"One of the most important nwritten but positive aspects of these understandings is that you have a legitimate Lebauese government involved and comm to them - hopefully to the extent that it will be able to fulfill its commitments to the assidnous implementation of these understandings

"The proof of the pudding however is in the eating. We obviously hope that all of the parties will live up to their commit-ments, but only time will tell.

Hizballah is not a party to these understandings, officially. Nevertheless, all those who want the situation contained and the hostilities minimized know that Hizbullah will have to be curbed."

Lubrani hoped that, if implemented satisfactorily, the new understandings could be used as a launch pad for future negotiations, perhaps on the lines of "Lebanon first."

"All of us know that the only real and lasting solution to the problems in the north is within the realist of political understand-

Tersonally, I would like to see a Labarion first agreement, although Fin not sure this is likely to be practical. I don't, for the time, see the possibility of reachog an agreement with Lebimon without at least very meaningful

progress with the Syrians."
Labrani and OC Northern Command Maj Gen Amiram Levine met yesterday with SIA commander Gen. Antoine Lahat and senior officers to brief them

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#### man, the main goal is to discover of Damascus whether athletes were actively involved in fixing games. He said a total of NIS 185,000 DAMASCUS (Reuter) - Syria ... Everybody came to Syria seek-ing a way out," the commentary said. in cash and checks worth said yesterday that the cease-fire agreement signed on Friday to end NIS 192,000 were seized in the "Events once again show ... that a just peace, which the [Arab] nation is seeking to achieve, starts and ends in Damascus," it added. "The cease-fire in Lebanon and fighting between Israel and Hizbullah showed the important raids, as was a large amount of gold jewelry and a "massive role Damascus plays in the region. amount" of loose diamonds. Customs and VAT Commis-

Damascus official radio said in a political comment that the Israeli raids - in which about 200 Lebanese were killed and hundreds of thousands displaced achieved nothing for Israel.

"What did Israel achieve of its

tively involved in the ring, then sports authorities should take im-

declared and non-declared goals?

VICTOR (Haim) CABASSO 777

a native of Jerusalem

The funeral took place yesterday, Sunday, April 28, 1996 (9 lyar 5756).

Mourned by:

Wife, Judith Cabasso Son and daughter-in-law, Israel and Youxin-Yuan Cabasso Daughter and son-in-law, Yael Kombor-Mus and Conny Mus Grandson, Elon Kombor Brother and sister-in-law, Moshe and Hana Cabasso

Shiva at the Kombor-Mus home, 7 Rehov Yehuda, Baka, Jerusalem.

In deep sorrow we announce the passing of our beloved

**Pardess** 

Hanna man

suspected of

husband, 60, had been quarrel-

ing for the past 10 years. At

about 5 yesterday morning, he

apparently entered her bed-

room with a knife and stabbed

her several times in the chest.

and began hitting his father and kept him from doing fur-

The man, a jamitor at a local school, told police he could no longer stand the constant fighting that had "degraded his

life," and decided to kill his

wife. He will be brought

before a judge for a remand hearing tomorrow. (Itim)

Closure

to continue

**BATSHEVA TSUR** 

THE Ministerial Committee on

Security decided yesterday that the

closure of Judea, Samaria, and Gaza would continue, but that

At the cabinet meeting, the issue of Palestinian debts to Israelis was

addressed. A ministerial commit-

tee, headed by Justice Minister David Liba'i, will hear the com-plaints of Israeli creditors and oth-

ers and will submit recommenda-

tions to the cabinet shortly.

Chief of General Staff Lt-Gen.

Amnon Lipkin Shahak was asked to look into an incident - raised by

Environment Minister Yossi Sarid -

in which a Palestinian woman lost

her baby after soldiers at roadblocks

goods could be transferred.

however, proved fatal.

She began screaming for help and the couple's 17-yearold son, the youngest of their six children, ran into the room



Former Hadassah president Deborah Kaplan, one of the 2,000 delegates to the group's international convention, which opened in Jerusalem yesterday, chuckles at a quip by President Ezer Weizman. Weizman praised the women for the fact that, despite the situation, there were no cancellations.

### Court dismisses petition on changing pre-poll TV ban

killing wife THE High Court of Justice yesterday threw out a A PARDESS Hanna man suspetition against a change in the law forbidding TV pected of stabbing his wife to death was arrested early yesstations to show pictures of candidates before the elections, saying a major constitutional issue could not be decided in 24 hours. terday morning.
Police said the victim,
Esperant Ben-Yair, 57, and her

Until this year, the law banned candidates' pictures from appearing 30 days before the elections. In March, however, the Knesset shortened the ban to 21 days before the elections.

Israel's Media Watch then petitioned the court against this change, saying it was illegal because it had not passed with an absolute majority of 61 MKs. An absolute majority is required to pass any law which infringes on the principle of equality, and the

petition argued that this law did, because the media discriminates against opposition candidates, and therefore an absolute ban is the only way to ensure equal treatment.

Justices Aharon Barak, Dalia Dorner and Dorit Beinish ooted that the 30-day period would have started today, and therefore a decision would have to

be made immediately to have any effect.

However, they said, the court cannot decided coostitutional issues, such as whether a law infringes on the principle of equality, in a day. They therefore rejected the petition, saying that if the petitioners had wanted a serious bearing, the petition should have been filed a month ago.

## Knesset to debate Hebron withdrawal

THE Knesset is expected to meet in a special session Wednesday to discuss the results of Operation Grapes of Wrath and the possibility of the imminent IDF withdrawal from Hebron. The sessinn was called by the National Religious Party, which garnered the 30 signatures necessary for a special session together with the Likud.

"It is nur moral and public duty to warn that the withdrawal is likely to pose a first-degree secu-rity threat," said NRP leader Zevulun Hammer. Party MK Hanan Porat is demanding that nn steps toward withdrawal be taken before the plenum session.

Coalition and Labor Knesset faction chairman Ra'anan Coben was amnng those whn sought signatures for the discussion on the agreement with Lehanon. Tomorrow a special meeting of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee is scheduled to hear a report on the operation from Chief of Staff Lt.-Gen. Amnon Lipkin-Shahak.

A general strike in Kiryat Arba and the Jewish area of Hebron is scheduled for Wednesday, as settlers plan in demonstrate in Jerusalem that day during the special Knesset session.

"In any incident in Hebron

LIAT COLLINS, and Itim

where blood is shed, the blood will be the government's respoosettlers' council spokesman Noam Arnon said yesterday in response to the statement by Health Minister Ephraim Sneh on Army Radin that the IDF would redeploy in Hebron before next month's elections. Such had pointed out in the interview that Israel had agreed under the Oslo Accords to redeploy in Hebron as early as June 1994, but had been forced by circumstances tn wait until now.

The withdrawal from Hebron could be made in stages, with the final one taking place after the elections, Prime Minister Shimon Peres told reporters on the way to Washington early yesterday.

Shas MK Arych Deri, mean-while, said be does not see Peres's negative response to Rahhi Ovadia Yosef's recent appeal to delay the redeployment until after the elections as "the end of the

Deri said Sbas's discussions with Peres regarding Hebron would continue after the prime minister returns from his US trip. "Maybe we can change some-

Deri added that he draws his optimism from the precedent of Rachel's Tomb. The government originally had planned to cede the Bethlebem holy site to Palestinian control, hut changed its mind after coming under intense pressure

from the religious parties. "I believe that with the strong efforts of all the religious parties, we can annul the evil decree, and IDF forces won't be withdrawn from Hebron at this point," Deri

Deri said that Yosef's appeal to Peres was not an attempt by the Shas mentor to employ his political leverage, but rather made out of concern for the safety of the

450 settlers living in Hebron.

"The letter had nothing to do with politics," Deri said. "It was unt as if he [Peres] were to respond favorably then we would vote for him, and if not, then we wouldn't vote for him. It was a halachic issue par excellence, stemming from concern for the security of the Jews in Hebron."

According to Deri, Yosef is not nnly interested in pushing the withdrawal from Hebron off until after the elections, "but changing the redeployment, so as not to leave the Jews there in an enclave surrounded by the Palestinian

### 'Peres rescinded demolition orders of Hebron homes'

THE government has agreed not to demolish some 60 houses built without Israeli permits in the Hebron area following an appeal from PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat directly to Prime Minister Shimon Peres, Hebron Mayor Mustafa Natshe said yesterday.

Residents whose houses have already been demolished in the past two months will ask for permits to rebuild, be added.

All the houses are in area C which will remain under Israeli control even after area A, most of Hebron itself, is turned over to

Palestinian cootrol in the coming days or weeks. Natshe said there were indica-

tions that the IDF was preparing a withdrawal, despite the fact that no official notice bas been given. Yesterday, soldiers partially evacuated a permanent post in a building at Al-Hawuz in south Hebron in area A. Natshe said.

A Norwegian observer force is to arrive soon to find accommodations for 50 more observers who will come later, he added.

Meanwhile, the civil administration and the government coordinafor's office have not received word that demolition orders had been

Peter Lerner, civil administration spokesman, said 40 homes (not 60), mostly along main roads and only in area C are in the process of being served demolition orders. These are carried out at the rate of four or five a month.

For those whose houses were demolished before Peres made his gesture to Arafat, it is just bad luck,

### 'Davar Meshulam followers sneak into **Ayalon Prison as Amnesty reps**

# 'Telegraph' out on Sunday

STARTING next Sunday, Davar Rishon will be published in a new format combining it with the Hebrew economic daily Hebrew Telegraph, editor Ron Ben-Ishai announced yesterday.

Ben-Ishai told Davar Rishon's

staffers that 80 percent of them would be able to continue working on the new paper. The remainder are to receive dismissal notices this week, qualifying them for severance pay.

Ben-Ishai said a dispute between the investors and the employees' union focused on the number of workers allowed to be employed under personal contracts and those under the collective hargaining agreement. Workers reportedly feared a worsening of conditions, including becoming vulnerable to firing.

Union leader Ephraim Davidi said the workers have no problem with the merger, and even feel it will give the paper a boost. However, the union rejected proposals that would decrease the number of workers under collective bargaining to less than a deci-

(Itim)

three times prevented her from getsive majority. ting to a hospital. Sarid said the While the layout of the new journal has not yet been finalized, it is promised to be different from Davar Rishon. Subscribers to both papers will receive the new paper in the morning and it will be sold on the newsstands later in

woman had given birth in her car and was forced to carry the baby to an eastern Jerusalem hospital where he was pronounced dead. Ministers said this appeared to be a clear violation of rules to let urgent medical cases enter Israel.

INTERNAL Security Minister Moshe Shahal and Police Inspector-Geoeral Assaf Hefetz have launched an investigation into how three of Uzi Meshulam's followers posing as Amnesty International emissaries managed to "examine" his prison condi-

It is still not known whether the three. American citizens of Yemenite origin, passed anything to Meshulam and his followers during their visit last week to Ramle's Avalou Prison.

Senior police officers described the entry of the three into the prison as an "indescribable

Amnesty officials here were

also shocked yesterday and accused the Prisons Service of gross oegligeoce in failing to check the trin's credentials. Earlier this month, Meshulam

asked Amnesty to the examine his and his followers' prison conditions, a controversial issue for some time. The Prisons Service has come

under fire for giving Meshulam and his followers preferential

As a result, the service allowed reporters to visit the special nonsmoking Leshem wing allocated exclusively to Meshulam and his followers to show that conditions

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there are similar to the rest of the DIISOIL. Although the wing could not be described as luxurious, Meshulam

and his followers do enjoy certain privileges not usually permitted other inmates. Meshulam has a cell to himself and was granted a special orthopedie bed and other med-

ical appliances following endless applications to various But Meshulam and his followers constantly complained

that their conditions are inhn-

His request that Amnesty send

representatives was sent to the organizatioo in London and was not approved, since Amoesty does not investigate felony incarcera-

The three visitors entered the prison several times, showing their "credentials" - receipts showing they had donated NIS 25 to the organization and their

American passports.

They promised to sent additional documents by fax. The Prisons Service spokesman

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#### Shahak meets: Fiji minister

CHIEF of General Staff Lt.-Gen. Amnon Lipkin-Shahak met with Minister of Home Affairs Col. Paul Fanisau Manueli, the commander of the Fiji Army and members of the Fijian parliament yesterday to explain the IDF's version of events which led to the tragic shelling of a UNIFIL base in Kana, in which nearly 100 people were killed and over 100 injured, including three Fijian soldiers. Shahak stressed the IDF's good relations with the Fijian bat-talion in UNIFIL and wished a speedy recovery to the three injured soldiers, who are being treated at Haifa's Rambam Arich O Sullivan Hospital.

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WASHINGTON (Reuter) - The fingerprints of Hillary Rodham Clinton were found on Whitewater related documents "lost" for two years, according to a report released yesterday by

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The billing records from the Rose Law Firm in Little Rock, Ark., for which Clinton worked, were found in the White House last summer and the fingerprints were identified by FBI experts, Newsweek reported

The magazine's story, quoting "sources close to the inquiry," was released hours before President Bill Clinton was to testify on elosed circuit television in connection with the case. The president, who is not

accused of any wrongdoing, has been subpoenaed as a defense witness for James and Susan McDougal, his one-time Whitewater real estate partners, who are on trial in Arkansas on bank fraud and conspiracy

charges.
It is one of several legal proceedings arising from the failure of the Madison Savings and Loan Association, which cost taxpayers an estimated \$65 million.

The Clintons entered into a partnership with the McDougals in the Whitewater real estate venture in 1978. Although their

MILIN BIRT, Bosnia (Reuter) -

About 600 Bosnian Moslem

refugees tried to visit homes in the

Serb-held northwest Bosnia town of Prijedor yesterday hut had to turn back when Serbs failed to

guarantee their security.

Some of the refugees had come

from Germany to see the graves

of their loved ones as well as their

homes on a day when thousands of moslems tested post-war free-

dom of movement across the

reach Prijedor was another setback

to implementing key civilian

The failure of the refugees to

country, witnesses said.

Moslems blocked

from visiting

Bosnia homes

investment lost money, questions have arisen about whether funds for the project were siphoned from the savings and loan, which was also a McDougal holding.

The papers described yesterday detailed Hillary Clinton's legal work for McDougal's Madison thrift, and "were subpoensed in 1994 but not turned over until this January," the magazine said.

"Mrs. Clinton has said she had 'no idea' the papers were in the White House," Newsweek continued. "Her lawyer David Kendal! later said 'it is possible Mrs. Clinton was shown the records in '92 but 'she does not recall.' Kendall now says the fingerprint discovery is 'not surprising.'

"At the least," the magazine said, "the findings show Mrs. Clinton reviewed the records in 92, undercutting her elaim she couldn't recall many of the mid-'80s meetings they cover. And says one source, they could be 'critical' in building a potential obstruction of justice case against

The office of Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr, probing possible wrongdoing by the Clintons in the case, declined to comment on the fingerprint report, Newsweek said.

The White House had no immediate comment on the report.

aspects of the Dayton peace accord, which halted the 43-month

an "ethnic cleansing" campaign that killed or expelled thousands of non-Serbs in 1992 and 1993.

cars turned up at a NATO check-

point on the so-called "inter-enti-

ty boundary line" north of Sanski

The group, which stopped at the

Milin Birt ebeckpoint just outside

Serb territory, said they had asked

the Serbs for security guarantees.

hut these had not been provided.

Prijedor became notorious for

The 600 Moslems in buses and

Bosnian war last December.

### The biazing passenger bus in Bhai Pheru in Pakistan, after a powerful bomb stuffed into the fuel tank exploded yesterday, killing at least 40. The toll could reach 60, as many of the 26 injured are in critical condition. Powerful bus bomb kills at least 40 in Pakistan

THE ashes of at least 40 people killed in yesterday's savage bus bombing were laid out in a single coffin and buried in the treeless graveyard at Bhai Pheru.

Thousands came from surrounding viliages to mourn the dead. Relatives of the victims clung to each other. Deafening wails and heart breaking sobs interrupted the prayers for the dead.

A bomb stuffed into the gas tank had turned the bus, packed with Moslems heading home to celehrate Islam's most sacred holiday, into a fiery grave for the 40 vie-tims, six of whom were believed to be children.

The victims were humed heyond recognition, said the police and paramedics. Police teared the death toll could eventually reach 60, because many of the ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN

'Diana on probation

26 who were injured are in critical condition and more remains may be found in the charred shell of the 52-seat bus.

The hus, which was overcrowded with passengers preparing for Id al-Adha, exploded in the bustling market place of Bhai Pheru, about 25 kilometers east of the Punjab capital of Lahore.

"There were two explosions. The first one and then a second one almost immediately, I guess when the petrol tank exploded," said Ata Dada, a paramedic, whose first-aid station was about 200 meters away from explosion.

But Ada said he was helpless. He could see the victims inside the bus, some still alive, screaming for help.
But there was no fire extinguisher nor a nearby fire depart-

ment to douse the blaze. "We couldn't do anything, but watch," said Dada, his voice trembling. "People inside were screaming. It was so horrible." It was nearly four hours before

the bodies could be removed. "Everything was so hot. We couldn't touch anything," he said. "No one was recognizable." Another

Mohammed Iqbal, who transported some of the wounded to hospital, said 36 people died immediately and another four died en route to the hospital.

Police did not hold out much

hope for many of the survivors, who suffered serious burns.

A bomb disposal squad defused a second explosive devise, said the state-run news agency, Associated Press of Pakistan. No one has taken immediate

responsibility for the explosion which politicians condemned as savage.
Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto

condemned the attack calling it "a beinous act [that] showed they had no respect even for the most pious day of Islam." In a statement, Bhutto warned

that her "government would not compromise with terrorists and would fight them till the last of them is brought to book." Police had no cines about who

Li was murdered in his Beijing might have been behind the

Poll: Zyuganov still

### China launches assault on rampant crime

BELING (Reuter) launched a national campaign against serious crime yesterday. sending squads of police into the streets to crack down on rampant drug dealing, prostitution, slavery and theft.

The campaign, a revival of Beijing's ongoing "strike hard" war on crime, was hailed by the official Xinhua news agency as a major move prompted by public concern at deteriorating social.

"Criminal gangs which eagage in drug-trafficking, prostitution, and the abduction and selling of children and women are rampant in some regions." Xinhua quoted the Ministry of Public Security as

saying.

The national crackdown was aimed at solving major cases including the recapturing of escaped prisoners and breaking np criminal gangs, Xinhua said.

It was heralded by a speech by

president of the Supreme People's Court Ren Jianxin, who called for new tough action to deal with a rising tide of criminal activity.

"In some places criminal activities seriously endangering social

public order are rampant this year," Ren told a Ministry of Public Security work meeting in a speech released by Xinhua.

Serious crimes involving mafia-style groups, hooliganism, pornographic activities, murder and armed crime were increasing, Ren said.

Prostitution, drug-peddling and substance abuse continued to: spread, he said.

China has been rocked recently by a series of high-profile violent crimes, including the February murder of Li Peiyao, a vice-chair-man of the standing committee of the National People's Congress, or partiament.

home by one of the building's guards, a 19-year-old member of the People's Armed Police.

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after royal divorce' LONDON (Reuter) - Princess Diana will serve a period of probation and not be given any royal duties after her divorce from Prince Charles, a British newspaper said yesterday.
The Sunday Telegraph said Queen Elizabeth issued the order to curtail Diana's royal duties because she was displeased with her behavior during the divorce negotiations. Senior British min-isters will re-examine her position The queen has been dismayed Police end probe of Kidder's odyssey LOS ANGELES (Reuter) -Police closed their investigation of Superman actress Margot Kidder, concluding the actress was not the victim of a crime after she had been found dirty and cowering in a suburban back-

> The actress refused to talk to police about the bizarre incident, which a friend said was sparked by her fear that at age 47 she was an aging Hollywood has-been.

by the acrimonious progress of the divorce negotiations, and was unhappy when the princess issued a statement confirming that a divorce and new title had been agreed," the Sunday Telegraph

"She hopes that after the divorce the princess will conduct herself with dignity."

The Telegraph gave no source for its information, and no one from the royal household was immediately available to com-

### leads but might lose MOSCOW (AP) - A new poll released yesterday indicated that Communist Party bead Gennady Zyuganov kept his lead in Russia's

presidential vote, but might lose to President Boris Yeltsin in the second round of voting. The poll was conducted over:

the last week by the respected VTZIOM service. It had a statisti-cal margin of error of 3.8 percent-

age points.

Of those questioned, 75 percent said they intended to vote in the

June 16 presidential elections. Of those actually planning to vote, 2 percent said they support-ed Mikhail Gorbachev, the former Soviet president and 4 percent.

planned to vote for Syvatoslav Fyodorov, a famous eye surgeon. Eight percent said they will vote for hard-line lawmaker and retired Gen. Alexander Lebed; 9 percent for ultranationalist Vladimir Zhirinovsky; and 11 percent for reformist economist

Grigory Yavlinsky.

## O.J. to give TV interview in Britain

LONDON (AP) - O.J. Simpson is coming to Britain where he will give an interview on a new TV talk show and address students at the prestigious Oxford Union debating society, his British publicist con-

firmed yesterday.

Simpson, acquitted last October in the murders of his former wife Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman, is traveling as a guest of Granada TV, makers of the *Tonight* show, publicist Max Clifford

Granada TV confirmed yesterday that Simpson has been booked for the first edition of *Tonight* on May 13. Hosted hy popular daytime talk show hosts Richard Madeley and Judy Finnigan, it will go out on Interprendent Television. Independent Television.

Tonight editor Mark Gorton denied a report in The Sunday Mirror tabloid that Simpson has negotiated a

£50,000 (\$75,000) package, including £5,000 (\$7,500) for expenses.

He will receive "a nominal fee of £1 [\$1.50]" for his TV appearance, said Gorton. And, "as is standard practice with any high profile guest, we have agreed to fund the cost of travel and accommodation for Mr.

Simpson and his colleagues," he said.
"We cannot expect O.J. to fly to Britain alone. He is a legitimate and intriguing interviewee," Gorton said. He refused to give figures.
Clifford said Simpson is undaunted at the prospect of addressing students at Original Line.

of addressing students at Oxford University, training ground of prime ministers and presidents, on May 14. As is traditional, he will take questions after his

speech.

"O.J. is happy, looking forward to speaking to the students," he told BBC radio.

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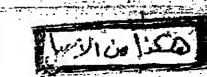
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# Taking Legrand tour of a lifetime in music

T will take composer Michel Legrand nine hours to fly from Paris to Tel Aviv on Friday, But Legrand, who will be piloting his own single-engine jet, doesn't mind the flight's duration.

"I have been many times in Israel, but I never came with my plane. Now is the time," says the 64-year-old musician in a phone interview from his home in Paris. "I will crash or I will be very bappy. These are the alternatives."

Legrand will play a concert of his jazz compositions with his trio on Saturday night at the Tel Aviv Cinematheque as part of the French Film Festival held there. He then returns to Israel on June 24 to conduct the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra in the Touch the Walis, Touch the Light open-air

Versatility is a way of life with Legrand, who doesn't like the word career: "A career is when you do one thing only, and I'm very careful about not staying on the same track. I sing, I play jazz, conduct classical music, compose jazz. I want to be part of every possible adventure in music."

Legrand's impressive 200-titlelong filmography includes the music to Yentl, The Umbrellas of Cherbourg, Ice Station Zebra, Jean-Luc Godard's Bande a part ("Band of Outsiders"), Jacques Demy's Lola and La Baie des. anges ("Bay of the Angels"), Switching Channels, The Thomas Crown Affair, Richard Lester's The Three Musketeers, Richard Brooks's The Happy Ending and the James Bond flick Never Say Never Again.

The Umbrellas of Cherbourg (1964) was the first ever musical film that was sung throughout, but it has never appeared in a commer-

"Finally it will be out on two CDs on Sony, the entire work," says Legrand. It will be the original sound track with all the singers who worked in front of the mikes while the actors, headed by the stunning young Catherine Denenve, were acting in front of the cameras.

"In the beginning Jacques [Demy] wanted it to be a normal

MICHAEL AJZENSTADT

film with some music. But I wanted a musical so we tried it with songs and dialogue and it didn't work and so then we simply abandoned it because we had a terrible time switching between dialogue and music. So one day I asked Jacques why not do it entirely sung and thus solve the problem. We tried it and it didn't work. But then one day we were on vacation together and suddenly it all came through. And then within one month I scored it."

The movie will be shown as part of Tel Aviv's French Film Festival. The success of the film led to an attempt to stage the musical in the US about 15 years ago. "Bnt Jacques and the director did not seem to agree and so we decided to keep it like it is on the film and not change a thing. And Jacques asked me that I will never agree to any stage version, just a concert one. Who knows, some day I might do a complete concert performance of

Yentl, for which Legrand won one of his two Academy Awards, is probably the only musical in which all the songs are performed by one singer, Barbra Streisand, who in this case was the producer, director and star as well.

Despite the Jewish-accented music for the film; Legrand him-self is not Jewish. "All my friends are Jewish and in America I score all the Jewish music. Whenever there is a Jewish film they always come to me, which I like."
He is a quick worker who is very

much inspired by the film be scores. Once you have a definition of the style then I love to write quickly. Writing for film is simple because you tell a story. The film always inspires me; with the help of these films I find music that I wouldn't have found otherwise. You really have to follow what the movie wants to hear. I look many many times at the film and look and look before I start composing."

LEGRAND never listens to his own finished compositions. "I have a strange attitude towards things I did in the past. I don't want

I want no regrets and no pleasures from my past. And I listen only once, and that just for technical reasons, to all my recordings."

Which is why he wouldn't take any of his own recordings to a desert island.

"What keeps me alive is to know more. Listening to your own stuff you don't learn anything, it's not productive and I hate it. And so for a desert island I should choose not between two or three discs but between 2,000 or at least 200. Less would be frustrating and I'd rather have none."

These days Legrand works much less for film. Rather he prefers to write for the lyric stage. "I want to write real musical scores of musicals for stage and screen. I just fin-ished a musical comedy for Paris which is in the opera buffa style and I'm working on an opera." But he is not going to provide even a hint regarding his new works' content: "I bate to tell [about] it when it's too early."

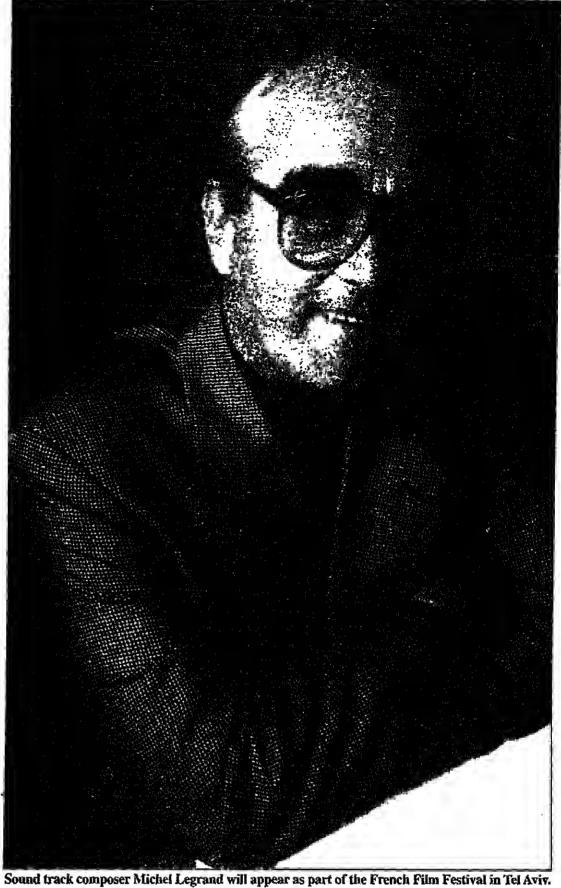
He's not impressed by the current state of musicals.

Today the successful musicals are footwork kind of music with no subject, no story, no music, and no lyrics - just extraordinary sets and effects, artificial effects like helicopters. But the content of the work is so thin."

What he does like are the works of Sondheim, including Into the Woods, Sunday in the Park with George and even Passion.

Legrand likes to keep himself busy, as he is nervous when idle. "I'm a very busy person and l enjoy it because I'm a lazy person. I want to occupy every possible hole in my life and I never stop. When I'm not working my head is going crazy and that makes me extremely furious and it's also tiring. When I work, I do one thing and concentrate on it. It's much more relaxing to work than not to

Legrand makes his home in Paris where he feels "like an old tree, my roots are here. I tried living in London, Rome, New York and Los Angeles but it is here in Paris that I'm most happiest. I love the city, I things I did in the past. I don't want to be turned to the past, never. It's here and they are indispensable."



# Opera fit for

LTHOUGH inspired by the Bible, David Loden Left Israel in order to writehis opera David and Bathsheba, which will premiere tomorrow in Jerusalem.

"I traveled to a tiny village in the monntains of Cyprus and composed it all there over the course of seven months," said the. 60-year-old white-bearded New York native, who has lived herefor decades.

The contrarian in Loden also comes out in his approach to the work. Don't look for the famous. rooftop scene in which the king watches Bathsheba bathing.

He is interested in the consequences of this event and the eventual sin that followed.

"I'm not an expert, but from, what I can understand there seems to be a need for soni-searching in this country, and especially after the events of the past year," says, Loden in a crowded Tel Aviv cafe,

And if this is the case, he says. "the whole subject of repentance' is best exemplified in the life of David. When he was shown his sin be turned around and repented, while King Saul, for example, tried to find other people to blame for his sins."

The genesis of this new opus was a work for orchestra and choirs based ou Psalm 51, David's song of repentance. "It all grew from this and I felt I needed a larger framework. I'm interested in what people do and do not do, in what they say, and I was inter-ested by the experience behind that, which led David to write this enormous piece."

Loden's new opus is entirely hased on the holy scriptures. "Most of the libretto is the actual verses from the Bible, Samuel II:12 and Psalms 51, 128 and 25, The rest of the libretto I wrote

The coming production, with a budget of \$300,000, is all privately funded. "It's the first work I have done of such magnitude, and believe me it was far easier to write than to produce," Loden says. There is already interest in holding performances in Los, Angeles, New York and London although nothing is signed and sealed at the moment."

Loden's is not opera in the classical sense. "We call it an operatic musical. It has melodious rhythms. The second acr is more symphonic in nature. It's tonal music which is easy on the ears. And the singing is of course all in

Hebrew." Loden traveled especially to New York to audition for the lead! singers. "My David is tenor Chris Holloway, Bathsheba is mezzo. Donna Stephenson and Nathan is baritone Stan Blair." And there is an additional chorus as well as an orchestra, the Israel Sinfonienta! Beersheba conducted hy:

Menahem Nebenhaus. Will the new opera anger religious people? Is Loden presenting a David that might be different from the national consensus? "I'm afraid this could be the case." I want to break the iconic image. of David and present the real; David."

It will be premiered, in a fully staged production, tomorrow night at the Sherover Theater in Jerusalem with seven further performances slated for the Noga; Theater in Jaffa, Netanya and Haifa in the next few days.

## Sugar and spice and a few things not so nice

ANNA.

Written and directed by Nikita Mikhalkov. Hebren side: Anna. 100 minutes. Russian dis-logue, Hebrew subtides. Please note: he film has no English subtides. Parental guidance

With Nikita and Arma Mikhalkov.

HOT on the sly over 13 years' time, Anna is billed as a doc-Unmentary about the eldest of Russian director Nikita Mikhalkov's four children. (The youngest, Nadia, was the tiny star of his last film, Burnt By the Sun.) Indeed, it seems at first to be taking mild shape as a samizdat home

Off-camera in an early scene, the filmmaker-dad asks a cute little girl with a blonde ponytail and bright

Aviv

Theater's '96/'97 season in

September on the main stage.

followed by Haflagor ("Sail-

The other two new produc-

as a confrontation between

Negev Beduin and a reserve pla-

Tel

Aviv Tzavta.

orange jumpsuit a series of simple questions: What are you afraid of? What do you love? What do you hate? What do you want more than anything in the world? Anna makes a funny face and rolls her eyes, then giggles ber answers: she's afraid of the witch (because she has a long nose"), she loves nature, hates borscht and wants a crocodile.

As the film proceeds and his daughter grows older and slightly less adorable, Mikhalkov continues to ask her the same questions. Meanwhile, be reminds us, great changes are taking place in their country - changes he seems to think justify the fact that, in the end, Anna is hardly about Anna. .

With each interview, the true subject of the film strays further and further from the girl and her development, and closer and closer to the father and his pompous declara-

Cameri nurtures

FILM REVIEW **ADINA HOFFMAN** 

tions about the Motherland. The portrait that emerges - of the dad, not the daughter - is less than flattering: Anna may not matter as a vital character in the film, but her coming-of-age in the context of a changing Soviet Union certainly does provide the director with a neat pretext for rambling on about the evils of Empire. (When the girl cries, to take just one example, Mikhalkov leaps to the rather absurd conclusion that she's crying for her homeland. It doesn't seem to occur to him that something else, something less melodramatic or perfectly suited to his movie's theme, might be inking her.)
Most of the film, in fact, has

nothing whatsoever to do with Anna. In a booming voice-over,

Petersburg in 1896 was practically boosed off the stage. Then, two

years later, came the production,

the actor/director and the theater

which went on to become thearri-

Konstantin Stanislavsky direct-

ed the play for the Moscow Art

Theater and himself played one of the leads, the novelist Trigorin.

When the first act ended there was

dead silence. The actors paled and

started to shake. Olga Knipper,

who was playing Nina and who later married Chekhov, started to

And then, wave upon wave of

**SUSPICIOUS** 

**OBJECT?** 

NOTIFY THE

**POLICE** 

IMMEDIATELY!

cal legend.

Mikhalkov narrates clips from old Soviet newsreels and propaganda films. Some of this footage is amusing in a sad way, though the director's world-weary approach to the uplifting Bolsbevik images isn't terribly novel. While he's digressing, he also seizes the chance to screen footage about the war in Afghanistan that was censored from one of his previous movies, and to work out some unresolved thoughts he has about Oblomov, another of his films.

But the most powerful scenes are without a doubt those that focus on Anna and, inadvertently, give us a glimpse of what it must be like to grow up with and long to please such an overbearing father. For a few years in the early '80s, begin-

ning with Brezhnev, Soviet premiers kept dying, one right after the other, and each state funeral provided Mikhalkov with a brand new photo-op, a fresh excuse to pump his daughter for ber pre-programmed political views - and in this way to demonstrate the brainwashing that took place in the Soviet school system.

than anything?"

louder, again.

wants to hear?

already expecting?

to watch.

Here, Anna looks up sheepishly

"What?" be wants her to say it

"When you're at home." The

interview is maddening and painful

Is the dad, we wonder, complete-

ly oblivious to his adoring daugh-

ter's emotional needs, or to the fact

that she may not be expressing her

true beliefs but what she thinks he

Or is he such a controlling nar-

cissist that he actually enjoys coax-

ing from ber the answers be's

Ultimately, these sequences func-

tion much like the agitprop

Mikhalkov is so quick to knock:

they reveal a great deal, though not

necessarily what their creators

Noga Theater in Jaffa. Both productions will play in Jerusalem, Haifa and Tel Aviv.

and blushes, then fixes her gaze on

the floor: "When you're at home."

In one such case, little Anna, all dressed up and serious, stares hard at her father before offering each answer. She speaks slowly, deliberately, as if worried that there might be only one correct response. "What frightens you most?" he asks, somberly.

That there might not be another leader as great as Brezhnev." "What do you want to happen

"For the party leaders to choose another president soon." "And what do you love more

#### intended. 'Seagull' is still flying high after all these years

HELEN KAYE

local playwrights 66TD EADING over my newborn piece, l HELEN KAYE once more that I am not a play-wright at all," grumbled Anton Pavlovich Chekhov in a letter to a ANOCH Levin's Hefetz toon with orders to move them ("Ohject") will open the from their land. The play was The Seagull which when it premiered in St. Cameri

> posed to an Arab village, among others. Both Nitzan and general manager Noam Semel bave been

> appointed for a second term. ductions will be performed in Cameri Cameri, the theater's

new in-bouse hall.

room, due to start in early summodular space. There are also the roof, which are budgeted at \$2.5 million.

Other Israeli plays include a new comedy from Ephraim Kishon, the first new play be's written for the local stage in more than 20 years, called Judgment Day based on the

nights will continue.

There is also The Whore from Ohio by Levin, Knesset Nichbada ("Honorable Knesset"), a satirical comedy set in the Knesset cafeteria from the team of Rami Danon and Amnon Levi, and Hasayeret NIS 889 for seven shows. Hayeruka ("Green Patrol") by Daniella Carmi, which is billed

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As well as Shakespeare, the Cameri will present Arthur Miller's adaptation of The Master Builder hy Ibsen and Lorca's Blood Wedding trans-

Some of the season's new pro-

The \$500,000 renovation of the theater's current rehearsal mer, will result in a 220-seat plans for a general interior and exterior facelift of the theater, including another two stories on

The Cameri's '96 budget is NIS 41.2 million, about half of which is from public funding. The theater ended fiscal '95 with an NIS 700,000 operating surplus, Semel said, and added that the Cameri had given 1000 performances, half of these outside Tel Aviv.

The theater's subscription drive (30,000 subscribers are

expected) has begun with prices starting as low as NIS 80 for a four-ticket student series up to The practice of simultaneous English translations on Tuesday

applause crashed over the actors, too startled to bow. The Moscow Art Theater, Stanislavsky and Chekhov had, undeniably and for ver, made it.

Now, 100 years later, both The Seagull and the Moscow Art Theater are coming to Israel.

Not even Stalin dared touch the MAT. Oleg Yefremov, who's been the MAT's artistic director since 1970, created the current productioo in 1980, and it's been going

strong ever since. (The Russian

repertory theaters keep produc-

nons going for decades with new

and superstitions of a Polisb shtetl at the end of the last century.

casts and periodic updates.)

The MAT has another produc-

uon that certainly could never

Both productions are in Russian with simultaneous translation into Hebrew. The first performance of The Seagull is at the Haifa Auditorium on Wednesday while Teibele opens on May 5 at the

The Jerusalem Post, together with the Association of

Americans & Canadians in Israel, the British Olim Society, the Hitachdut Olei Britannia, the English Speaking Resident's Association, and the South African Zionist Federation (Israel), will be holding a series of public forums in English in Netanya, Tel Aviv, Ra'anana, Jerusalem, Carmiel, Nahariya, Haifa and Beersheba, at which the various political parties will present their policies. FULL DETAILS SHORTLY.

have been performed in the pre-perestroika USSR. It's Isaac Bashevis Singer's Teibele and Her Demon, the story of a forbidden love set amid the ignorance **COMEDY OF ERRORS** May 14 at 8:30 p.m. The smash hit production of Shakespeare's classic comedy set amidst a modern war-torn Middle Eastern city with dazzling stage effects that include drams, gunshets, torchlights [It] pays homage to the vineyords of peace and its rewards..." - Halafetz MIDNIGHT PRAYER (Tikun Hatzot) May 7 and 21 at 8:30 p.m. A new production which deals with the identity trisis of a young Sephard: man who is torn between the ultra-orthodox Ashkenazi sect which adopted him and his Sephard: origins, in a world where the two communities are completely separated BOX OFFICE: 03-523 3335 • FAX: 03-5230172 • SUBSCRIPTIONS: 03-5245211 Located in the heart of Tel Aviv on lively Dizengoli Street, the Carneri is just a few minutes' walk from THE THEATRE OF TEL AVIV breachtront hotels. Easily accessible by bus or taxo. in cooperation with the Ministry of Tourism, Tel Aviv and Central Region

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ings"), a new play by local play-wright Shulamit Lapid at Tel

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tions are Shakespeare's Twelfth Night and a new play by Ronald Harwood, Taking Sides. There'll be no big names imported to take the leading roles, rather the lineup and the casting follow artistic director Omri Nitzan's theatrical strategy of "our ongoing policy to nurture original playwriting, to present the classics in a contemporary and local approach, to offer new plays from the world canon all performed by the ensemble which we've bave been building for the last three vears.

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**OPINION** 

the government, under pres-sure from public opinion to act following Hisbullah's firing

of Katyushas on the North, went

along halfheartedly with IDF recom-mendations for a military response.

It believed that pressure on the

Lebanese government from refugees

and the economic price extracted by

Israeli bombing would engender greater Syrian constraints on Hizbullah's freedom of action.

Yet Operation Grapes of Wrath

ended with understandings that are hardly better than the previous ones,

that again leave Syria's Hafez Assad

the final arbiter of what Hizbullah

Israel was misguided in its use of

force. It spared politically important

targets, and failed to perceive the

The government seemed unaware

that the Syrians, who effectively control the situation, couldn't care

less about the well-being of the

Lebanese, and that the mode of mil-

itary action chosen actually

enhanced Assad's international sta-

tus and bargaining position vis-a-vis

Clearly Assad has little incentive

to cooperate as long as Israel is

ready to allow him to take all of

Lebanon, and appears extremely

reluctant to exact a price for Syrian-

encouraged attacks against Israel

This reluctance - perceived as

weakness by our neighbors - is root-

attacking Syrian targets in Lebanou

In fact the Syrians are dragging

their feet in the negotiations with us

precisely because they no longer

fear military action against them.

Such fear was the main reason Syria

ioined the Madrid Conference in the

Today the Labor-led government

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### Shaath's complaint

ALESTINIAN Authority Planning Minister Nabil Shaath attempted on Saturday to dispel doubts about the Palestinian National Council's decision on the PLO Covenant. Branding questions raised about the sincerity of the decision "totally demagogic," he told The Jerusalem Post that "the PNC has made a decision to change the covenant by canceling it. What is left to the future is to create a new

Unfortunately, Shaath's protest only reinforces the troubling doubts about the meaning of the PNC resolution. He asserts that the covenant, which denies the Jews' right to nationhood and calls for Israel's destruction, has been canceled. But this is most emphatically not what the PNC decision says.

The published part of the PNC resolution states quite clearly: "The charter will be amended by canceling the articles contradicting the letters of recognition between the PLO and the State of Israel." The future tense makes it clear that in contravention of the PLO's commitment to abolish the offensive articles in the covenant by May 7, not a single article has yet been canceled.

One of the reasons it is difficult to determine what exactly the resolution means is that it was sented in a secret session. Puzzlingly, in the ornicial protocol released at the conclusion of the PNC session, there is no mention at all of the resolution. The only source of information about its contents is WAFA, the Palestinian news agency, and the Arab press.

Nor is it possible to find agreement among those who attended the session. Haidar Abdel-Shafi, the former head of the Palestinian negotiations team in Madrid and Washington and one of the PNC's most prominent members, says that only two covenant articles are under consideration for possible change. Another PNC member enumerated four articles. Shaath himself, contradicting his own assertion that there was a blanket cancellation of the charter, told the Post "My feeling is that there are 16 articles that are canceled."

Feeling? Surely this momentous move, hailed by Prime Minister Shimon Peres as the most important development in the region in the past 100 years, can be summed up by something more concrete than a mere "feeling."

It would be particularly enlightening if Shaath would respond to the various "demagogues" by naming the 16 articles about which has this feeling, and revealing what he expects to replace them. After all, these demagogues include not only Likud MK Ze'ev Begin and the Post - the specific targets of Shaath's

Sir, - On a recent Shabbat, we

invited to join a small group of

... who chartered a bus to spend the

weekend in Hebron. The primary

purpose of our trip was to give sup-

port and strength to its Jewish com-

munity of only 50 families (about

400 people) as they felt abandoned

and literally sacrificed on the altar of

the Oslo peace process. It proved to

be meaningful, enlightening and

most inspirational experience to all

late the many feelings we shared; service at the Machpela Cave for

Kabbalat Shabbat in a spirit that this

writer had never experienced be-

fore; listening to the harrowing ex-

periences of Rebbitzen Miriam Le-

vinger (whose husband is at this

writing in jail) as the community is

harassed by the Israeli police; and

Sir, - John De Frece says the

March 29 advertisement by "Amer-

icans for the safeguarding of democ-

racy in Israel' challenging the de-tention of Rabbi Yitzhak Ginsburgh

Space does not permit me to re-

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

VISIT TO HEBRON

wrath. The most prominent expert on Palestinian nationalism, former Meretz Knesset candidate Hebrew University Prof. Yehoshua Porat has described the "revocation of the covenant," so lustily hailed throughout the world, as a deception.

Until Israeli intelligence comes up with an exact report about what happened in the secret session, one can only surmise that the delegates voted on what PNC chairman Selim Za'anoon has called "a plan to change the covenant." In effect, the PNC has postponed the actual changes until after Israel's elections and the

beginning of the "final status" negotiations.

The stratagem is clear: If the PLO is satisfied with the progress in these talks, it will make changes in the language of some of the covenant articles which explicitly call for dismantling Israel. What these changes will be and what will replace them is still unknown. But if Yasser Arafat's opening speech at the Gaza session last week and his pronouncements in interviews are any indication, the changes may not be an improvement.

Addressing the PNC, Arafat asked the particpants to reinforce the Palestinian position at the forthcoming final status negotiations by removing "the pretexts which would be used by the Israeli government...to obstruct these negotiations." It was not, then, an appeal to think peace rather than destruction, but to deprive Israel of an excuse to slow the withdrawal.

The worst was yet to come: "Yes, [we now have] the Palestinian national entity and the Palestinian National Authority, which our PNC endorsed in 1974. The PNC then endorsed the establishment of a National Authority on any part of the Palestinian territory which is liberated or from which Israelis withdraw."

And as if to remind his listeners where his loyalties belonged, he proclaimed: "I greet our... heroic detainees headed by [Hamas founder] Sheikh Ahmad Yassin...I extend my thanks to Mauritania, Sudan, steadfast Iraq [applause], Libya and my brother Gaddafi.'

And in an interview in the Jordanian paper Al-Dustur, he said again, "In 1974, the 12th PNC session endorsed the establishment of an authority over any land that is liberated or from which Israel withdraws."

The 1974 resolution to which Arafat repeatedly refers is the phased plan for Israel's destruction. Clearly, if the present covenant is to be changed at all, it will happen only a few months after the Knesset elections. And it will be replaced by the subtler "plan of stages." There is a significant tactical difference between the two. But the aim is the same.

A case in point is an article hy Uri

an editorial commentator are to represent the life about him accurately and to criticize it honestly, it is important for the reader to be able to evaluate whether these goals are being reached or even attempted. The proper choice of title for the author of an opinion is a requisite for this evaluation. JAY SHAPIRO Ginot Shomron.

#### **INSULTING OFFERING**

This performance is an insult to every living Jew, and a crime against the dead, and I suggest it be

### **EFRAIM INBAR**

Israel's blurred vision

and the Clinton administration are viewed as less threatening than the Bush-Baker team.

A similar faulty assumption, typical of liberal thinking, was that creating a ratingee problem and attackmg Lebanon's economic infrastructure would be politically effective. This assumption, however, exagger-ated the importance of economic

#### Precision attacks on Syrian military targets would have pointed up Assad's role in Lebanon

factors in the strategic equation. Economic pressure rarely works against an opponent who is determined and highly motivated. The belief that such pressure could set in motion a political process conducive to Israeli interests (even as defined by the Labor-led government) was naive in light of Syria's clear under-standing that Israel was unwilling to escalate its military operations so as to endanger Syrian interests in

IN AN era when war is shown on . The government's strategic blinded in the unfounded assumption that TV screens worldwide, human suf-ness has served only to delay the fering, which unwisely became conclusion of an agreement with Israel's military goal, turns into a political liability.

This is true primarily for democracies, which are sensitive to international public opinion. When it comes to shrugging off the bloody side of war, Assad is far better, equipped than Shinnon Peres.

Similarly, the IDF and the political echelon should have realized that those TV pictures, shown in real time, were also setting a political clock for Israel's operations.

This awareness of a time limit, once an integral part of Israeli mili-tary planning, has unfortunately become forgotten. It was obvious that there would be mounting international pressure on Israel to end its operation, even without the tragedy at Kana.

In contrast, precision attacks on Syrian military targets would have evoked appreciation of Israeli military might, and would have pointed up Syria's role in Lebanon as an occupying force and harborer of terroust organizations and drug traf-

ficking.

More important, such action.

would have pressured Assad to
demonstrate flexibility in Lebenon. and in the peace negotiations. Considering the current mood toward Damascus in Washin this would have pleased the Americans.

The government's desire for peace with Syria has blurred its strategic

Assad is the one who needs punshing, not the Leburiese; Assad is the one who needed pressuring to request a cease-fire. And Assad is ceasinly not the one to whom we should be looking for agreement regarding our freedom of unifizery action.

Syria, condemning the north of Isual to live under the communous threat of Katyusha fire.

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### On our own

DAVID FORMAN

recently joined an program net issues American Jews. Every day there are dozens of postings from Jewish lay and religious leaders on a variety of subjects of Jewish CONCETT.

One would think that Israel would engage these people, particularly as a minimar raged in the north of our country.

But during the entire first two weeks of Operation Grapes of Wrath, there wasn't one entry on what was happening. Frustrated, I asked if anyone cared about what is going on in

A flood of responses filled my email. And almost all confirmed what I had long suspected - that there is a real lack of interest in

Three responses are worth sharing, telling us clearly that we here in Israel are on our own. One writer noted that American

Jews are enmeshed in local issues. Israel is 6,000 miles away, and anyway it has demonstrated its competence in fending off villains from Nasser to Saddam Hassein. So why should American Jews worry if a few Katyushas fall on Kiryat Shmona?

Isn't this my old story? And Israel making war in Lebanon is an old story. Americans love new stories - new fads, new rock stars, new TV comedies, new clothes.

new cars. The writer recently visited Israel, he related. On his return to the US no one had expressed the slightest interest in his trip. "No one asks anything... zero, nada

zilch!" We're no longer in the '60s, when American Jews exulted in Israel's victory in the Six Day War. It's no longer Yom Kipper 1973, when they went into a fren-zy over Israel. It isn't even the winter of 1991, when American Jews shivered as they watched CNN and saw Scuds raining down

on Israel. Another correspondent added that since most American Jews never visualize themselves moving to Israel, there is little to no focus on it. Peace is breaking out, and so the American Jewish leadership can no longer use a besieged Israel as a means to raise

And the American Jewish community is beginning to resent Israel. Not because of anything we've done, but because Israel was sold to the American Jewish community as the "silver bullet" that would stop intermarriage and apparent that this hasn't worked, American Jews must look inward. They now see their future in synagogue or local community

#### Don't any of you care about what's going on

here? I asked my Jewish e-mail friends

involvement. Why support Israel when American Jews are drown-

ing at home?

Thus the American Jewish community circles the wagons trying to survive, feeling that "peace" has ended its duty to Israel, "skirmishes" in Lebanon and suicide bombings notwithstanding.

Another entry sums up the bulk of the responses I received: "Israel is no longer at the heart of American Jewish identity. It is on the periphery of its conscious-

BUT there is no such thing as Jews isolating themselves. Even if they try, the non-Jewish world won't allow it. Jews and Judaism are judged by what Israel does; Israel is the lightning rod by which Jewish behavior is measured.

More significantly, it is simply dehisionary for any Jew to think there can be any kind of Jewish continuity or renaissance in any part of the world that lacks Israel as a focus. Throughout history, the centrality of Israel and the possibility of neturn has informed the Jewish passion to build a rich cultural and religious life in the Diaspora.

Israel has not failed American Jews. American Jews simply do not take Israel seriously, being satisfied with a few donated dollars and 10-day "quickie" tours.

For Diaspora Jews to believe that they can fashion a Jewish identity and future in splendid isolation is the sure recipe for continued assimilation.

It was not an Israel at war that I asked these Jewish leaders to address, but rather an Israel which has served historically as the lifeline for Jewish perpetuity.

Katyushas falling on Kiryat Shmons will not finemen Israel's survival. But American Jews' indifference to those Katyushas will most certainly threaten thous.

The writer is spokesperson of

fident in him, despite his impressive record of achievements on gether behalf of the state. IT ISN'T easy to explain what it is about Peres that makes people mistrust him. It might have to do with the fact that he tries too hard to please and impress everyone, which frequently results in his

saying things which seem, or even Another problem could be this: he seems eager to emulate, the

informed me that he was seriously considering voting for Likud leader Binyamin Netanyahn in the upcoming elections for prime minister. There's nothing unusual about that. After all, just over - or just under - 50 percent of voters will be voting for Netanyahu.

What was unusual was one of the reasons my acquaintance gave for thinking of opting for Bibi: that Israel shouldn't be in Lebanon, and that Shimon Peres was wrong to have embroiled Israel in Operation Grapes of Wrath.

What the man was really threatening to do was punish Peres. The phenomeoon of voting against rather than for a particular candidate or party is quite com-mon. It was undoubtedly one of the main reasons for Labor's electoral victory in 1992. But it can lead to absurdities, as in the case of my acquaintance.

Netanyahu's reaction to the agreement cooked up by US Secretary of State Christopher in Damascus and Jerusalem last week was that it was premature and insufficient, and that Operation Grapes of Wrath should have continued, and even been expanded in scope.

The views of MKs Ariel Sharon and Rafael Eitan, who are part of Netanyahu's team and one of whom might well end up as Israel's next defense minister, are also well known.

But my acquaintance has other reasons for considering voting against Peres. His second reason is his strong

opposition to an Israeli withdrawal from the Golan Heights. And on this score, his reasoning is logical. There is no doubt that Peres is much more likely than Netanyahu to reach an agreement with Syria

should be noted that in the absence of such a withdrawal," there simply will be no agreement. But even here voting for Peres doesn't automatically mean giving up the Golan, for the reason that Peres has undertaken (and this was reconfirmed in Labor's new platform approved by the Labor Party Conference last Thursday)

revealing a that isn't borne out by the facts

tance cited for voting against Peres has to do with the fact that the prime minister has difficulty with making people feel fully con-

man is actually not a very deep

Thus it happens that when he starts philosophizing the result is frequently a little shallow, even though his basic premise might well be valid, as in the case of the New Middle East.

But here again, the problem isn't that Israel needs a philosopher for prime minister, but that it is so easy to find fault with what Peres says and writes when he begins to philosophize. The mistrust many are inclined

to feel toward Peres manifests itself especially with regard to the peace process.

in 1992, there are many who feel they were going too fast.

My personal feeling is that the pace has been too slow — but I know that is not the way most

asier for him to explain to doubtbetween proceeding at the given pace, or halting the process alto-

a clear vision of reality.

One thing does seem totally

The writer is a political scien-

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#### constitutes for your paper a further descent to the gutter" (Letters, April 19). He calls the ad "criminal" and 'clearly designed to incite. All the more so after the assassination." Along the way De Frece engages in group character assassination as he charges "religious racist-fascists... created the climate for one of them

to murder our democratically elected prime minister." On the day the ad appeared, The Jerusalem Post reported Supreme Court Justice Dalia Domer's deci-

Sir, - Following the recent terrorist suicide attacks and the many casualties in Lebanon, I fully expected our prime minister and minister of defense to resign, as would have happened case in any other civilized democratic country. It is obvious that the recent tragedies are a direct result of his failed policies In his eagerness to please the world and foremost the Arabs, Mr. Peres has sacrificed Israel's security system, jeopardizing the lives of our civil-

INCITEMENT sion that there was no basis for the detention of Rabbi Ginsburgh - the first administrative detention overturned because of insufficient

many other upsetting emotions we

felt. The town is overwhelmed hy

the Arab community and heavily

guarded by our IDF; it made this

writer recall his feelings back in the

days of World War II when he was

among the besieged soldiers in the

Battle of the Bulge in Bastogue,

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ALBERT RATHNER

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biblical history.

The Post story also reported the foreign ministry's circulation of a statement to Israeli consulates justifying the detention. One wonders if the Foreign Ministry circulated Justice Domer's decision.

De Frece is among those for whom prime minister Rabin's tragic assassination created an open season. for character assassination largely based on a police state concept of 'incitement

JOSEPH LERNER Jerusalem.

**RESIGN!** 

ians and soldiers. As the mother of two precious sons (one 18-year-old shortly to be drafted, and one 14-year-old commuting on the Jerusalem buses to school), I have a special interest in demanding Mr. Peres's immediate resignation, particularly as minister of defense. I would surely feel much better with someone more competent in defense matters in control. A HALFF-GEIMAN OP-ED ARTICLES

Sir, - Although it may not be immediately apparent, the title which describes the author of an oped article (which is generally included in italics at the end of the article) is quite important. This is so because it allows the reader to draw his own conclusions about the relative objectivity of an opinion - or the

Avnery (April 15), at the end of which he is described as a columnist for Ma'ariv. Mr. Avnery is best known for his activities on behalf of the creation of a PLO state and has participated, with his Arab colleagues, in demonstrations (sometimes violent) against Jewish settlements. To describe him as a columnist for Ma'ariv is equivalent to calling Ariel Sharon a columnist for Yediot Haharonot or The Jerusalem Post, for both of which he occasionally writes. Or Moshe Levinger as a columnist for Nekuda, the mag-

azine of the settlement movement. Since the two prime functions of

Sir, - As a Holocaust survivor, born and raised in Nazi Germany. I must strongly protest against the performance of the play A Jew named Siss at the Israel Festival. Jud Suss was one of the foremost

tools of Joseph Goebbels's propaganda machine in the art of Jewhatred, thus paving the way via Kristallnacht to the Final Solution. Jud Suss also served as a blueprint for the infamous Sturmer Jude, which appeared almost daily in this Nazi newspaper.

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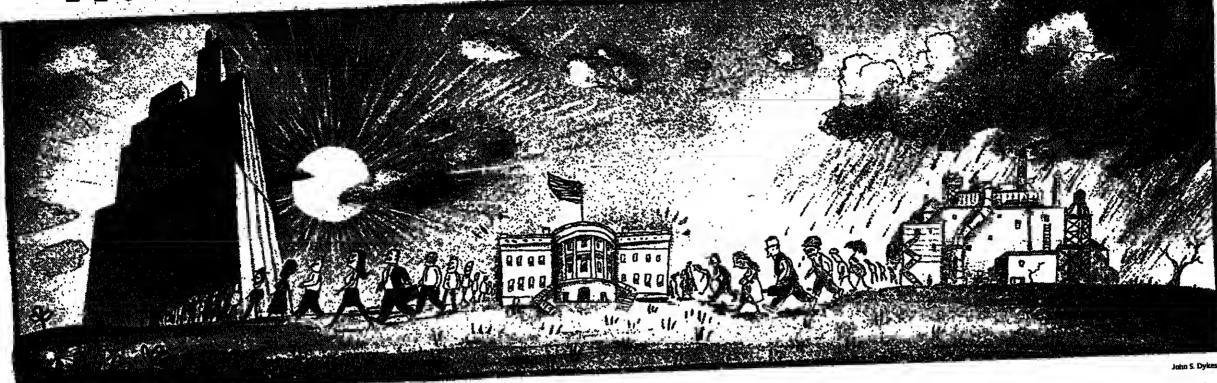
Israelis view the situation. Because Rabin did not suffer from the basic mistrust many feet toward Peres, it would have been ful Israelis that peace making is a dynamic process, one which asually dictates its own pace; and that in such a situation the choice is

Even though the mistrust of many toward Peres is understandable, it is not justified by the facts. Peres has never acted irresponsibly regarding matters of state. On the contrary, history will judge him as a balanced statesman with

incomprehensible, however - and that is that anyone who finds it difficult to trust Peres could feel more comfortable with

### **Credit Check**

# Happy Days Are Here Again! Right, Voters?



By DAVID E. SANGER

WASHINGTON ILL CLINTON wrote the book oo how to run against the economy in 1992, when the country was in a recessionary funk and the now-famous "It's the Economy, Stupid" sign hung in his

campaign headquarters. Four years later, he is discovering that it is far harder to take credit for an essentially well-paved economy - 8.5 million jobs created, exports surging that is cratered by one large pothole: the much-documented if inchoate anxiety that jobs are less secure than ever and that wages are going nowhere, unless

you're in the loftiest executive suite. After months of internal hickering, the Administration is finally rolling out its economic theme song for Campaign '96: Look at what a great job we've done! The refrain: For the next four years, we'll ease the pain of the hard-working souls caught in the transition from the old economy to the new one.

A happy tune, but it leaves open the question of how to get much mileage from statistics that are the envy of the G-7 allies, who don't vote, out little solace to American workers who do.

#### **Bored by the Details**

Fortunately for Clinton campalgn strategists, however befuddling the nation's economic mood looks to them, it bas truly left Bob Dole flummoxed. His own advisers concede that the whole subject of job insecurity and wages bores him. That may explain his awkward

It's not easy to get political mileage from prosperity that doesn't show in paychecks.

handling of the minimum wage debate, an example of what can happen to politicians who wander aimlessly into the minefield of the economic inequality debate.

"You can't have an economic strategy until the candidate sits down and develops one," one of Mr. Dole's colleagues and supporters in the Senate fumed on Thursday, as Democrats popped up on the evening

news portraying Mr. Dole as the enemy of workers struggling to stay off welfare on a measly \$4.25 an hour.

It's still early in the campaign, and Mr. Dole may yet step forward with a convincing economic pitch. But the Republicans have been struggling to find an economic agenda for six months now, and Mr. Dole would be forgiven for wishing for the comparative simplicity of the economy that faced Mr. Clinton in 1992.

Then the Issue was reviving American industry and making the world's biggest economy competitive against a host of external threats. Mr. Clinton's answer was one part "Putting People First," one part tough trade talk and one part blg Government programs like

A! Gorc's "information superhighway." The world view in 1992 was that Japan is unstop-

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### Hero Worship

# onging for a New Lone Genius



For centuries, the Lone Genius has been idolized. But great minds, however extraordinary, are never truly alone on their journeys to discovery.

#### By JAMES ATLAS

NE of the most surprising literary sensations this spring is a tiny volume, "Longitude," by Dava Sobel, about an obscure 18th-century inventor. Subtitled Greatest Scientific Problem of His Time," Ms. Sobel's book has people in the publishing industry puzzling over the secret of its success. Is it the bite-size format? The book's handsome appearance? Simple nostalgia?

Here's another thought: "Longitude" is popular because it celebrates individual genius — the lar because it celebrates individual genius — the way a single compelling idea can change the world. In a time increasingly dominated by techoology, when we doubt our very ability to master the complex organization of the society in which we live, the thought of a private vision working its way to public consciousness — altering the contours of reality - seems all the more appealing tours of reality — seems an the more appearing for being such an unlikely scenario. (Which doeso't mean it can't happen.) The great 19th-century thinkers believed in their capacity to change the world; 20th-century thinkers are daunted by the challenge of understanding it.

#### Marx, Freud, Darwin, Einstein. Where are their likes today?

John Harrison, the book's subject, was a reclusive rural clockmaker who invented the chronometer, solving a problem that had eluded scientists for two centuries: how to navigate accurately at sea. It took Harrison four decades to get it right and collect the British Government's £12,000 (some \$20 million by today's reckoning).

The Great Man used to be one of our cherished myths, but it's gone out of fashion now. Half a century ago, in "To the Finland Station," Edmund Wilson narrated the history of modern revolutions by portraying the figures who furnished the ideas behind them: the 19th-century French intellectuals Michelet and Proudhon; the Utopians Fourier and Owen; Marx and Engels, Lenin and Trotsky. Twenty years later, in "The Tangled Bank," Stanley Edgar Hyman produced

a collective biography of the quartet of 19thcentury thinkers who brought us into the 20th century: Marx, Darwin, Freud and the Scottish

anthropologist Sir James Frazer.

In Mr. Hyman's eyes, these figures of genius—
all of them men, it should probably be noted conjured up their world-altering ideas in heroic isolation, drawing on the ideas of their predecessors but ultimately arriving at their most significant insights on their own.

For Mr. Wilson and Mr. Hyman, the history of ideas is the history of individuals - what you might call the Lone Genius school. If these loners had precursors (try to imagine Marx developing his theory of dialectical materialism without Hegel), the contributions they had made were incidental. It was in originality that greatness

But intellectual history — the idea of ideas has itself undergone a radical transformation, perhaps without our fully realizing it. The great ideas of our time are thought to be collective products: their inspiration has been collabora-

What are these ideas? I can think of three:

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At the End, the Words In the Middle East, a few written phrases help mute the cries of war.

By Serge Schmemann



### Wheat and Chaff

From a Kansan promoting grain exports, Dole's evolving foreign policy.

By Elaine Sciolino

#### **Red Flags**

China spares itself scrutiny on human rights by warning developing nations they may next.

By Barbara Crossette

#### Knock, Knock

The answer to 'Who's there?' is less likely to be someone selling encyclopedias or brushes door-to-door.

By Allen R. Myerson



### The World

**WEEKLY REVIEW** 

## A Baffling Endgame in the Mideast

By SERGE SCHMEMANN

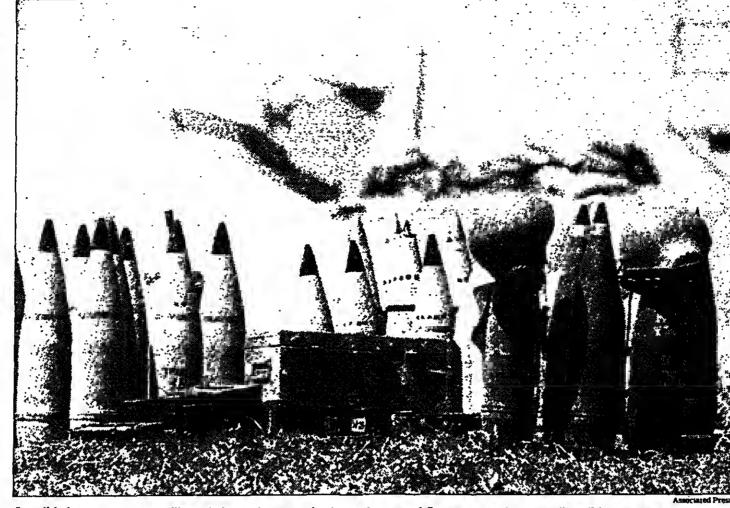
**JERUSALEM** ECAUSE this is the Middle East," goes the old punch line to a long series of anecdotes that purport to explain situations that defy common logic. If there was any need to illustrate the genesis of the format, last week had it all

There was Israel furiously bombing Lebanon in order to stampede Lebanese civilians, in order to force Syria to force Hezbollah guerrillas to stop firing Katyusha rockets at northern Israel - which they were doing to drive Israeli troops from a wedge of Lebanon that Israel occupies in order to protect its northern regions.

And there was Secretary of State Warren Christopher urgently shuttling back and forth, accompanied by a coterie of other foreign ministers. He was trying to shape a cease-fire arrangement that would at least restrict Israel and Hezbollah to fighting each other without terrorizing their respective civilian populations.

Mr. Christopher finally succeeded, just in time to enable Prime Minister Shimon Peres to go to Washington for a visit that was originally intended to advance a new campaign against terrorism, launched by the United States last month after a spate of terrible suicide bombings in Israel by Islamic guerrillas of Hamas.

If that's clear so far, read on. While all this was going on in Lebanon, a different show altogether was under way in Gaza, only a few hours' drive south. There, Yasir Arafat convened the Palestine National Council, the old parliament-in-exile of the Palestine Liberation Organization, in order to strip the P.L.O.'s charter of its two most fundamental ideas — armed struggle and the destruction of the "Zionist entity."



Israeli helmets rest atop artillery shells during a lull in the exchanges of fire along the Lebanon-Israeli border last week.

#### Remember Me?

The participants were a veritable Who's Who of old terrorists, all granted the right of safe return by Israel so that they would change the charter - all while Israel and Mr. Arafat's Palestinian Authority were fiercely hunting for a new generation of militants, from the Islamic group Hamas.

The rich drama and irony of the moment was summarized in the image of Abu Abbas - the mastermind behind the hijacking of the Achille Lauro cruise ship a decade ago, during which a disabled American was murdered and thrown overboard - tamely raising his shovel-sized hand up to vote for

The fact that Mr. Arafat got a vote of 504 to 54, with 14 abstentions, testified to his leadership and his ability to persuade the Palestinians, both exiles and those from inside, that "one inch of Palestinian land and our presence on the land of Palestine is

more dear than words on paper." For all the confusion and seeming contradictions of the images cascading in from Tyre, Beirut, Damascus, Qiryat Shemona, Jerusalem and Gaza, several themes ran through them all

One was the conviction of Mr. Peres and his Labor Party, and of the United States, and of Mr. Arafat, that keeping Labor in power in the Israeli election scheduled for May 29 was of paramount importance to the prospects of peace. Though Mr. Peres rejected any suggestion that he had or-

#### The way is now clear for the toughest negotiations of all.

dered "Operation Grapes of Wrath" in Lebanon to shore up his image for toughness, the notion was inescapable, and all Israeli commentators discussed whether the gambit had been wise or useful.

Like the United States, Mr. Arafat seemed to do everything possible to insure that Mr. Peres is re-elected. Not only did he ram through the revisions of the Covenant, but he did it on Israel's independence day. On the next day, the Labor Party returned the favor by voting to lift clauses in the American arrangement — that of stopping

party platform opposed to the formation of a Palestinian state, and Mr. Peres said that the Israeli withdrawal from Hebron, suspended after the suicide bombings, would be completed by the first week of May.

Another theme that ran through the week's events was a confirmation that the Middle East had moved far from a raw conflict between Arab and Jew, and was now in a complex and sensitive endgame. It is the potential proximity to the end, to

the comprehensive Middle East peace that has eluded the region now for almost half a century, that gives the moves in Lebanon and in Gaza their significance.

In Gaza, the P.L.O.'s formal revocation of an armed struggle to destroy the Jewish state marked a major symbolic milestone, and stripped Israeli right-wingers of a favorite weapon against the peace. The way seems clear for the start of the final and most difficult round of talks envisioned in the 1993 Israeli-Palestinian agreement the "final status" negotlations that must tackle issues as explosive as the disposition of Jerusalem, the fate of Jewish settlements in the West Bank, the division of water, and Palestinian statehood.

In the north, the immediate effect of the

the firing on Lebanese and Israeli civilians was probably less significant in the long run than the fact that Syria has finally agreed to a written document that assigns it a role in controlling guerrillas in southern Lebanon. Until now, Syria had always purported that this was not its fight, and that it had no interest in stopping guerrillas who were fighting against occupiers. Americans and Israelis expressed hope that the step had brought Syria closer to actually making peace with Israel and thus effectively bringing an end to the Arab-Israeli conflict.

But the closer they come to the goal, the greater loom the penis. However well Mr. Christopher crafted the compromise, however adeptly Mr. Arafat manipulated his comrades, however successfully Mr. Peres managed his campaign, they all know that one more Hamas suicide bombing, or one more Hezbollah rocket, could throw everything off again.

The very alacrity with which the United States and other governments have reacted to recent Middle East crises testifies to the fragility and sensitivity of every blip, to the fear that the slightest misstep now could derail the whole journey towar

This is still, after all, the Middle East:

## Snubbing Human Rights

By BARBARA CROSSETTE

OT so long ago, when the cold war they stood on the issue of human rights. With a few exceptions like the world's condemnation of apartheid, the rule was that the bad guys on the American side weren't really so bad, but the bad guys on the Soviet side were horrible.

When Communism collapsed, everything seemed possible, even in the United Nations, where votes on issues like human rights could in the past be tallied before they were cast. Activists arose in many countries who had never before enjoyed an independent voice. The world held a human rights conference in Vienna in 1993 and dared to enshrine universal concepts. A United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights was named for the first time.

Hold the balloons and whistles. Last week in Geneva at the annual meeting of the United Nations Human Rights Commission, the world got a warning that the trend toward open, nonpolitical discussion of rights might be temporary. China successfully led the charge against scrutiny of itself by rallying support from developing nations with the cry; You could be next! Panicked nations of the third world, now calling themselves the "global South," began work on reforms that human rights organizations and diplomats saw as a direct assault on the institutions and procedures surrounding the 53-nation Human Rights Commission and the United Nations Center for Human Rights here.

#### The Global South

The nations of the global South, many with spotty records on rights, are a majority, at both the United Nations and in the world. United, they are formidable. Today they are demanding consensus on human rights issues, effectively giving any nationa veto. A resolution that would have applied this practice to the commission was withdrawn last week only when some of these countries calculated how it might be used against them. It will likely return.

"If we analyze the vote on China this week," said Peter van Wulfften Palthe, a Dutch diplomat who is leader of the Netherlands delegation to the commission and one of Europe's most knowledgeable human rights experts, "I think that the most important conclusion is that whether we win or lose depends very much on that year's composition of the commission." This year, China relied on a solid block of African and Asian votes (plus Belarus and Ukraine) to eed it off the commission's agenda

Geraldine A. Ferraro, who leads the United States delegation to the commission, said that the Chinese, whose efforts failed last year, worked harder on the North-South divide this year by arguing that the richer countries "don't understand our cultures" and always pick on the poorer countries.

The examples of Aung San Sun Kyi almost single-handedly sustaining Burmese hopes for democracy or the Buddhist monks in Vietnam and Tibet bravely campaigning for cultural and religious freedoms give the lie to the cultural argument. As for development, Ms. Ferraro said, 'How do we define Singapore or Peru? How do we define developing?'

John Shattuck, Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, sees Latin America drifting away from a third-world consensus that human rights scrutiny is an intrusion into national sovereignty. What many countries really fear, he said in an interview here, is "the inexorable pressure that grass roots movements for burnan rights and democracy are creating." This can drive them into cynical alliances of convenience.

#### generally meant neo-fascists, two groups

AST week, a coalition of center-left parties won national elections in Italy, promising an administration in which the left and moderates will work hand in hand. Four days later, the hardy Marxists of the Communist Refounding party — who ran as allies but not members of the victorious coalition called the faithful to annual rallies celebrating Italy's liberation in 1945. "The fascists sometimes come back," was the dark warning spelled out on posters plastered all over central Rome, "We can slop

By CELESTINE BOHLEN

them - hope is reborn." In those two events, the paradox of Italy's attitude toward voting was spelled out. If the elections were a step toward a system where two parties, both acceptable to the center, square off on a regular schedule as they do in Germany and Britain, then the rhetoric of the Liberation Day posters was a rumbling echo from another, parallel world, where Communists and Fascists are perpetually locked in mortal combat, fighting over the soul of the nation.

#### A Way of Life

For many Italians, indeed, politics remains more than a choice between candidates, policy positions and coalitions. It is a source of identity — a way of looking at history, a circle of friends, a dress code, a reading list, a morning newspaper - all of which, taken together, defines someone as being of the right or of the left.

But don't confuse this with how the country is governed. It has been governed from the center ever since World War 11 because most Italian voters want it that way, and nothing that has happened since the end of the cold war promises anything different. Yes, the party around which so many of the centrist voters used to flock, the Christian Democrats, has collapsed and what is taking its place is a competition between coalitions of the left and of the right. But these are center-left and center-right coalltions, competing for the all-important center voter on the issues, no matter what



Italy's New Politics

Barricades in the Middle of the Road

Old symbols live in Milan. Communists celebrate the center-left's election victory.

banner the most ardent partisans of either side display. Still, the costumes and banners are very much in evidence.

So even though it was the center-left Olive Tree coalition that won last Sunday, its victory bash at Rome's Piazza S. Apostoli that night was a purely leftist event (except that here olive green flags had replaced the red hammer-and-sickle). The rest was predictable - disheveled students singing the latest pop tunes, casually dressed women and occasional chants of "Enrico," a nostalgic reference to Enrico Berlinguer, the leader of Italy's postwar

Communist Party (ancestor of both the Democratic Party of the Left, which is in the coalition, and the Communist Refounding party, which stands aloof).

Italy is not the only country that has a political identity kit. The leftist intellectual in rumpled clothes and the conservative businessman in a double-breasted suit are clichés everywhere; it is just that in Italy, style and substance have been particularly tightly wrapped, and the old culture is dying hard. The question now is whether

the old symbols carry the same meaning. In the old days, when the Christian Democrats absorbed Italian politics like a giantsponge in the center of the road, "left" really did mean Communist, and "right" regarded with suspicion by the great mass of moderate Roman Catholics.

As long as the Christian Democrats (who were also of the right, but in a more "church and establishment" kind of way) were around, they absorbed other moderate parties that came along - like the Socialist Party, which, in due course, became part of the Great Center.

The collapse of the old order, upon a wave of corruption scandals in the early 1990's, created a large class of political orphans overnight, and sent the left and right out fishing for their votes. In 1994, the millionaire Silvio Berlusconi moved in from the right with his Forza Italia movement, sweeping up a large share of the former Christian Democrats. Last Sunday, the center-left came back and outdid its rivals, having formed an electoral coalition stuffed with moderate, respectable Catholics, looking and acting for the world like, well, Christian Democrats.

#### What, Me a Leftist?

Thus when Contessa Donatella Pecci-Blunt held a soiree late in the campaign to present the interim Prime Minister, Lamberto Dini, a former Christian Democrat who was running with the center-left coalition, to the Roman aristocracy, she was playing a little trick on history. "These people," said one guest airily, pointing to the elegant crowd weaving its way through a candle-lit maze of 16th century salons, "used to vote for the Christian Democrats. Now they prefer the right, but she's trying to persuade them to go with Dini, and convince them that does not mean a vote

The point is that Italiao voters - of whom there are 49 million - have moved very little in the last four years, even as one political system came crashing down around their heads, and another staggered to its feet. What has moved are the politicians who, bereft of a center, have redistributed themselves across two broadbased coalitions.

#### Some Paradoxes

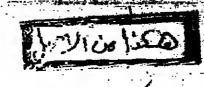
While almost every country champions human rights, many vary over what those rights consist of, and influences range from the political to the cultural.

Foremost among Asian paradoxes, India identifies Itself as the world's largest democracy but votes regularly with the most undemocratic regimes on human rights issues. Arundhati Ghose, India's envoy to the U.N. in Geneva, said her country objected to the "finger pointing" method by which poor nations are humiliated.

Ms. Ghose met resistance on child pornography and sex tourism when she asked Germany, Japan, Korea and the Netherlands to join in calling for a ban. 'They were willing to say, 'O.K., we can ban child pornography, but we are not willing to ban promotion of sex tours," she said. Members of the Human Rights Commission had been shown German ads offering "boys of any color, size or age."

"If we can agree that it's nobody's fault, but it's a bad thing, then we can tackle it together," she said. "The moment you start apportioning blame, people go on the defen-

Yet the world has accomplished much in the five years since the Soviet Union died, Mr. Shattuck said. "What continues to be a highly divisive process," he said, "is this debate over human rights that takes place annually at the Rights Commission, where China, I think, bas now taken very much the same position that the former Soviet Union .did - to do everything you possibly can to prevent international scrutiny of its human rights record."



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### **The Nation**

# Dole's Foreign Policy Record: It's Hard to Read

By ELAINE SCIOLING

OB DOLE'S pitch for himself as the next commander-in-chief is that he deserves the job because be's a tough guy who knows what he's

"When it comes to providing leadership around the world, we want someone with experience, someone who understands sacrifice, somebody who knows what America is all about," Mr. Dole told a rally recently. "And I know that I could do better than Bill Clinton when it comes to foreign policy."

Indeed, if the Republicans in Congress were to vote on the most statesmanlike in their midst, the Senate Majority Leader would probably win, not necessarily because he is the wisest, but because he is the most practiced. Way back in 1970, as a freshman Senator from Kansas, Mr. Dole was orchestrating a filibuster to prevent a cut off of aid for U.S. operations in Cambodia. Bill Clinton was a student at Oxford.

#### **Call Him Unpredictable**

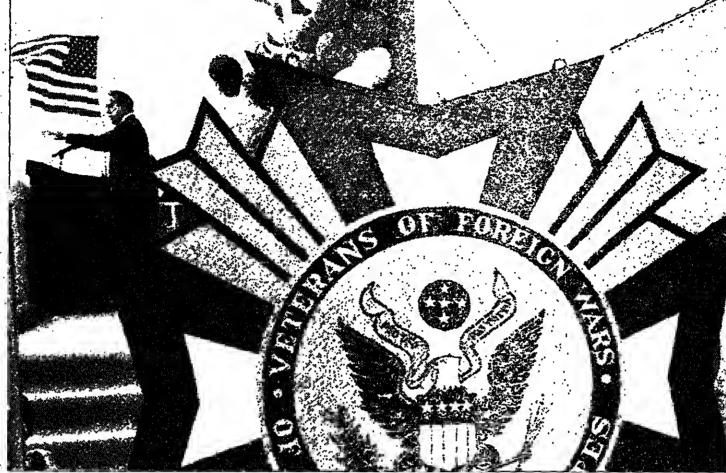
But the more the spotlight is trained on Mr. Dole's vast 36-year record in the Senate, the harder it is to predict how he would act as President. The same tactics that have served him well as a legislator — the maneuvers for temporary advantage, the flipflops, even the quirkiness — may not transfer into the Oval Office.

Mr. Dole does not pretend to be a global architect. His most ambitious attempt at a foreign policy manifesto — a ghost-written article in Foreign Policy last year — criticized both the "new world order" of George Bush and the "assertive multilateralism" of Bill Clinton in favor of a vague commitment to American "leadership" abroad.

That doesn't mean there is no consistency in Mr. Dole's world, which draws upon his experiences as a soldier and as a legislator.

It is hard to expressioned the importance

It is hard to overestimate the importance of his brush with death on an Italian hillslde in World War II in shaping his approach. His experience as a soldier helped forge his belief in the broad authority of the President to carry out foreign and military policy. It has moved him to support American military operations abroad even when he might have opposed undertaking them in the first place, "We have one President at a time in this country," he said last November in acceding to Mr. Clinton's decision to send troops to Bosnia.



Bob Dole's war experiences fostered respect for the military. He was honored last year by veterans in his hometown, Russell, Kan.

His war injury also led to a close relationship with an Armenian immigrant surgeon who helped him regain partial use of his right arm and told stories about the extermination of 1.5 million Armenians in World War II. The result was an idiosyncratic passion: unflinching support of Armenia, at the expense of Turkey and Azerbaijan, and deep concern about genocide.

Mr. Dole has also been consistent in putting Kansas wheat ahead of geopolitics. He opposed President Carter's embargo on grain sales to the Soviet Union after the invasion of Afghanistan for that reason, and in 1990 favored the extension of hundred of millions in loan credits so that Iraq could buy American grain.

But his perch in the Senate has also given

him the luxury of reacting situationally. Mr. Dole has taken potshots at the Administration's deal to give North Korea S4 billion in nuclear energy reactors in exchange for its dismantling of its weapons program — implying that there was a better deal to be had but never saying what it was. On Russia, he has criticized the Administration for being soft on President Borts N. Yeltsin, without ever saying what he would do instead.

#### Arabs and Israelis

As for the Middle East, consistency has never been his strong suit. In 1990, he earned a reputation as anti-Israeh after he proposed taking five percent of aid from the largest foreign recipients — including Israel

and Egypt — and giving it to the emerging democracies in eastern Europe,

The same year, after Arab leaders scolded him for advocating a resolution declaring Jerusalem the capital of Israel, Mr. Dole said it was all a big mistake. "We all know how it works around here," he said upon his return home. "We carry our resolution or our letter into the cloakroom. We buttonhole every Senator who walks in and push them for an immediate signature. Half the time the signer doesn't even read the text."

Now, at election time, there is no talk of cutting aid to Israel. And last year, Mr. Dole voted for legislation to move the American embassy to Jerusalem, which even the Israeli Government views as provocative.

On China, no Republican on Capitol Hill

# Over 36 years, consistency has not been a strength.

was more supportive of President Bush's determination to preserve China's preferential trade benefits than Mr. Dole. But Mr. Clinton got a lot of mileage out of criticizing George Bush in 1992 for "coddling" China's dictators, and in the current frozen atmosphere with Beijing, Mr. Dole apparently wants to keep his options open. He has yet to declare his position on whether the United States should renew trade benefits this spring, and recently canceled an important speech he was to make on China, in part because he could not decide what to say.

There is at least one instance in Mr. Dole's career, when, backed into a corner, he revealed that he could have a tin ear in diplomacy. When he led a delegation to Iraq on behalf of Mr. Bush in 1990, four months before President Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait, Iraq's Foreign Minister asked Mr. Dole if he would ask Israel to match Irag's declaration to free the Middle East of all nuclear, chemical and biological weapons, a long-held Arab position designed to embarrass Israel. Instead of saying he would relay Iraq's message to his President, Mr. Dole could not resist playing dealmaker. "I will work to obtain such a declaration," he declared, according to a transcript authenticated by two Americans at the meeting.

#### **Slow Starts**

Unquestionably, Senator Dole has more foreign policy experience than Ronald Reagan or Jimmy Carier had upon assuming the Presidency — or, for that matter, Bill Clinton, who has never had perfect pitch on foreign policy.

In one sense, nothing in Mr. Dole's legislative career really counts, since he could perform much differently once in the Oval Office. Still, his reaction to crises along the way offer snapshots into his thinking. In a televised interview just after Iraq invaded Kuwait, Mr. Dole said, "We don't belong in that part of the world," adding that the invasion "ought to be settled by the Arabs." Six years later, he may have to explain how views like these fit into his foreign policy mantra of America as global leader.

A Good Year for Running

### More Women, Fewer Causes

By ADAM NAGOURNEY

Y all appearances, circumstances have not been so bright for women running for office since 1992, and perhaps ever. There will probably be more women candidates for state and Federal office this November then ever before. A Democrat is leading in the Presidential race, and there is thought that Democrats might even regain control of Congress — again boding well for women candidates, who are likely to be Democrats.

But for all that, no one is calling 1996 "the Year of the Woman," the phrase that has been kicked around in even-numbered years since 1990. In the field, women candidates report they are talking not about breaking barriers, but about the issues that make up most political contests: health care, budget cuts, the minimum wage, the deficit.

What has happened? It's not that women are expected to do poorly in the elections this year. Indeed, the early guessing is that women will gain seats in Congress and in state legislatures—if only because so many are running—while plcking up a goveroorship or two. But two things have taken the edge off of what once was an attention-grabbing political phenomenon.

The first is that after 1992 — when the differences between Clarence Thomas and Anita Hill tumbled from Capitol Hill into the voting booth and then back with a near-doubling in the number of women in Congress — the pace slackened. The year of the 20-seat pick-up has given way to the prospect of many years "just slugging it out, seat by seat," in the words of Celinda Lake, a Democratic pollster.

The other change is that the election of a woman isn't big news anymore. The world has changed since Susan Molinari, the Staten Island Republican, learned while running for Con-

#### 'Maybe we're not singled out anymore,' a Senate candidate says.

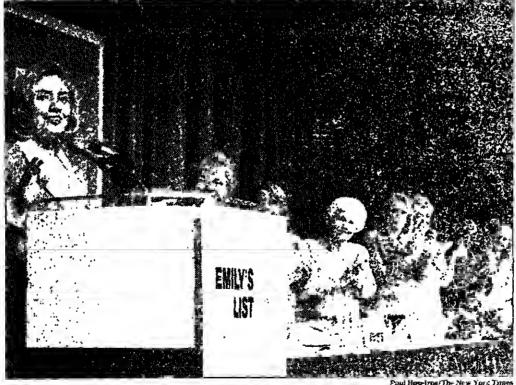
gress in 1990 that her opponent had taken to referring to her as "a little girl." ("It was annoying." said Ms. Molinari, who was 32 years

old at the time, and who won.)

"It's not startling to see a woman candidate these days for House, or for the Senate, and certainly not for local office," said Anita Perez Ferguson, president of the National Women's Political Caucus, which has recruited women to run for office sinca 1971. Indeed, since Geraldine A. Ferraro ran for Vice President on the Democratic ticket in 1984—there is really only barrier left: "The next big one is President,"

said Mrs. Ferguson.

There are women who take much pleasure in



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Hillary Clinton addressing Emily's List, a group that backs Democratic women candidates.

this, and find it refreshing that the divisions this year seem to be Democrat versus Republican, challenger versus incumbent, rather than man versus woman.

"There's probably less focus on women being women and probably more focus on women being candidates," said Nancy Mayer, a Republican and Rhode Island General Treasurer, who is running for Senate. "Maybe we're being judged more on our abilities, our experience, our credentials. Maybe we're not singled out anymore as aberrant creatures who are doing this man's thing."

That said, there is still a long way to go until women achieve anything near parity in politics. There are now 48 women in the House of Representatives, including 31 Democrats and 17 Republicans, and eight women in the Senate (five Democrats, three Republicans). That is just 10.5 percent of the 535 seats in Congress. Similarly, just under 21 percent of the 7,424 elected state legislators are women, which is a record, but just by a whisker. And there is only one Governor, Christine Todd Whitman of New Jersey, down from five in 1992. Ruth B. Mandel, director of the Eagleton Institute of Politics at Rutgers University, which gathered the data, said, "Government is still a sea of suits."

#### More Run, More Win

On the other hand, more and more women are running for office, and more and more are winning. Mrs. Ferguson at the National Women's Political Caucus saio 180 women are trying to make their way onto House ballots and 14 are competing for the 53 contested Senate seats. There are at least two Governor's races, Washington State and West Virginia, where women are thought to have a good shot.

#### No More Novelty

Until then, the shift in the perception of women candidates is changing the shape of the 1996 political races in ways that are obvious, and in ways that are not. For one thing, it is not at all clear that this acceptance is always useful for women. The novelty of running as a woman — and with it the apparent advantage — is wearing off. Ms. Lake found in her polling this year that women in Democratic primaries, who had in recent years started with a 10- to-20-point advantage when running against men, no longer have that edge.

Still, "people want to stop business as usual in Congress," said Debbie Stabenow, a Democrat running for Congress in Lansing, Mich. "I'm, oy definition, not a good old boy."

The National Women's Political Caucus predicts that women will pick up perhaps five or six more seats in Congress. It's a far cry from 1992. But while things might speed up or slow down in any given year, the trend seems both unmistakable and irreversible. "The progress has been consistent," said Ms. Mandel. "The change has continued, unabated, at a serious, steady, somewhat slow pace,"

# Happy Days Are Here Again, Yes?

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pable, and the challenge to America was external," said John N. Yochelson, the head of the Council on Competitiveness, a Washington organization born in the mid-80's to help create a national industrial strategy.

But today American officials treat Japan as a nation choking on its own bank failures and arcane regulations. That is why Mr. Clinton could go to Tokyo two weeks ago, barely utter a harsh word about trade, and know that Mr. Dole would not make a peep in response.

#### The Pay Problem

Now, even while some workers fear that their jobs are headed to Mexico or China, Mr. Yochelson argues that America's main challenge is "squaring domestic growth with high-wage jobs."

Some Democrats say this conundrum is not all bad. It keeps eyes trained on the economy rather than on issues of character, Mr. Dole's presumed strength. And polis show most workers do not blame the President for their insecurities.

Nonetheless, capitalizing on a sound economy that is not generating bigger paychecks is no easy task. The Democrats learned that in 1994, when the economy looked pretty good and the Republican Congress was swept into power.

So the White House is settling on a middle ground that was mapped out last week by the Council of Economic Advisers. After recent press reports of devastation from corporate

#### Nearly threequarters of voters know someone who has lost a job.

downsizing, Laura D'Andrea Tyson, Mr. Clinton's chief economic strategist, asked the Council a few basic questions: Do the new jobs being created pay as well as the old ones? Are A.T.&T. executives really flipping burgers? And are white-collar layoffs — sorry, Washington calls them "displacements" — really rising, or is that an illusion created by

white-collar reporters?
The answers: Yes, 68 percent of

the new jobs pay better than the median wages of America's 120 million or so workers. No, employment in burger-flipping is actually falling, and most new service-sector jobs are managerial or professional. But the skeptics are on to something: In the 1991-92 recession, white-collar workers were "considerably more at risk of displacement" than in the 1981-82 recession, particularly those 55 or older. And the average displaced worker takes a 10 percent

pay cut — more or less permanently.
"Are we saying there are no reasons for workers to be anxious?"
asks Ms. Tyson. "Absolutely not.
There are plenty of reasons. But you can't expect to reverse a long-term trend in just three years."

Polls show nearly three-quarters of voters know someone who has lost a job, and the White House is betting they will like Mr. Clinton's calls for portable health insurance (passed unanimously by the Senate last week), portable pensions and a \$10,000 tax credit for college education or retraining. The argument inside the Administration is over how much to intrude upon corporate decision-making. Ms. Tyson and Treasury Secretary Robert E. Rubin drew the line when Robert Reich, the Labor Secretary, advocated tax benefits for companies that guarantee jobs in profitable times and give workers a share in growing profits.

If the Administration is nervous about bashing corporate America. Mr. Dole won't even think about it. Asked how to address worker anxiety, he talks almost entirely about shrinking the Government and cutting the deficit. And he has yet to put together a plan beyond the rising-tide-raises-all-boats approach that Republicans love but that blue-collar voters find increasingly suspect.

He is already in retreat on the minimum wage, as his own troops defect from the party line.

"The Republicans are in trouble on this in a larger way than they ever expected," Mr. Reich crowed in an interview Friday, still surprised by the issue's sudden revival.

"When the stock market is soaring and chief executives are earning princely sums, it's hard to argue that the nation will fall apart because we mandate another 90 cents an hour to the poorest wage earners in the nation," Mr. Reich Said. "But if Dole wants to dig that hole, I'll be happy to hand him a shovel."

### **Ideas & Trends**

### The Death of Some Salesmen

By ALLEN R. MYERSON

AUL BUNYAN, John Henry or Horatio Alger he's not. But America's workday culture has few figures as storied as the salesman, scouring a territory or going door to door, "riding on a smile and a shoeshine," as Arthur Miller memorably put it. The salesman was once uniquitous. He trudged from the pages of Theodore Dreiser to a Warner Brothers cartoon where, as Daffy Duck, he wrecked Porky Pig's home while demonstrating a vacuum cleaner and other labor-saving thingamalies.

No longer. When Encyclopedia Britannica dismissed all its home sales representatives last week, cutting 140 full-time employees and 300 independent contractors, it was but one more sign that the old-style career salesman is dead.

But not the smaller independent, face-toface salesperson. Far from it. Where Willy Loman once was, there is now a new force of part-timers, mostly women, prying at the gates between their economic ghetto and the verdant middle class.

In an era of malls, home-shopping networks and catalogues, there are also more and more people like Cindy Funderburk of Florien, La. She drives a school bus, beginning at 6:20 A.M. She lends the chickens and cows on her farm. And she sells Beauticontrol CQ Herhal Serenity lotions, What A Pear! shampoo and Regeneration anti-aging creams with Alpha Hydroxy Acid Complex 3, making enough to help pay for her daughter's college and for three straight annual vacations to Branson, Mo.

The door-to-door mainstays have slowly mutated, until they are all but unrecognizable. Encyclopedia Britannica abandoned door-to-door sales decades ago in favor of having its salesmen, including many full-timers, follow up leads generated by advertising and referrals. At the Fuller Brush Company, Il presidents in five years couldn't keep up the legendary sales force that

once included Billy Graham and Joe DiMaggio. The company was sold two years ago to a buyer who, relying less on the salespeople, has nearly doubled the number of Fuller Brush stores.

At cosmetics companies, meanwhile, person-to-person sales are booming. The Direct Selling Association says that, from 1990 to 1994, the sales force nationwide has increased by more than third, to 6.3 million.

These figures might smell self-serving, but Neil H. Offen, the association's president, has an alarmingly frank explanation. "We provide an alternative to welfare, an alternative to unemployment compensation," he said. Or to other forms of downward mobility. "You can't stay in the middle class on one income," Mr. Offen said. "Sometimes not on two."

Many of the new salesmen and saleswomen belong to triple- or quadruple-career families. The rise in direct sales might partly explain why unemployment rates remain fairly low, despite wave after wave of corporate layoffs.

The industry's growth has been propelled by incessant recruiting. Many merchandisers give their salespeople a percentage on any other salespeople they recruit, and then on their recruits' recruits.

The pros like Mrs. Funderburk, collecting from 24 recruits, are always on the prowl for more. "Does your wife use Beauticontrol?" she asks.

#### **Avon Calling**

Instead of knocking on unfamiliar doors, a tactic some towns now forbid as a danger to salespeople and customers alike, the new sellers network. "We train people in how to connect at the office and factory," said Christina Gold, Avon's chief for North America. "It's a high-touch business." In two years, she has expanded her sales force by about 45,000, to 445,000. Though Mrs. Gold will occasionally test the market by selling with Avon's traditional ding and dong, more than half the company's sales are made or arranged at work.

Sales at home, for companies like Mary Kay cosmetics that have followed Tupperware's lead, now are more likely to involve living-room parties or classes in skin care than cold calling or knocking.

Even Girl Scouts are learning the tricks of modern direct sales, setting up booths in malls, train stations and office lobbies. This year, troops in Hawaii and the Boston area took to flogging their cookies on the Internet. "Times have changed and so have our selling tactics," said Judy Welage, a spokeswoman for the Girl Scouts.

Some scouts invade Mom's and Dad's offices directly. Who is going to resist buying a few too many boxes of Peanut Butter Patties when confronted in the open by the boss's pigtailed daughter?

Unlike Mrs. Funderburk and Miss Pigtails, the traditional salesman suffers from an image that was muddled long ago. In the 1944 film "Double Indemnity," Fred MacMurray plays a visiting insurance agent noir who gets roped into the murder of a wealthy customer to collect the insurance payoff and the co-conspiring wife.

Decades later, when Louis Harris took a survey for the Direct Selling Association to help the industry shine its image, he reported that spending millions of dollars in one year would add on luster. "He said it would take 20 years," Mr. Offen, the association president, recalls.

As much as consumers have feared predatory salespeople, today's salespeople need protection from their rapacious companies. In an industry where annual turnover runs at 70 percent, companies often stick departing salespeople with overstuffed inventories and hundreds of dollars in training fees

In one sense, though, direct sales may be coming full circle. Mr. Offen reports that men are returning in swarms, with their proportion having more than doubled, to 24 percent, in three years. Most are victims of layoffs or low wages.

Mrs. Gold can readily pick up the scent. "Would you like to be an Avon representative?" she asked with a lift. "I could have someone see you tomorrow."



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## Longing for a New Crop of Lone Geniuses

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feminism, environmentalism and structuralism, the last of which argues that although cultures may look different in their details, they share the same deep structure. (For instance, all languages may look and sound different, but they all have one thing in common—a grammar). "Our century generally seems less interested in ideas than the last, seems to care about them less and take them less seriously," Mr. Hyman complained in "The Tangled Bank." But is that really true? Maybe It's just that the ideas we consider important aren't the ideas Mr. Hyman cared about. They don't validate his Great Man fantasies.

Yet even these collective revolutions in thought have been led by powerful individuals — in several cases, women. Think of Rachel Carson's "Silent Spring," the pioneering work of the environmental movement. Think of Simone de Beauvoir's "The Second Sex." Or Claude Levi-Strauss's "The Savage Mind," a work that changed forever our attitude toward so-called primitive humanity by demonstrating the rigorous logic of other societies' myths and rituals.

Our anti-beroic age likes to reduce innovators like these to scale. The genesis of ideas, like everything else, has been democratized. We are all equal, and none are more equal than others. To single out a Great Man—or a Great Woman—as the architect of an Idea Is to "privilege" that individual, to elevate him (or her) above the rest of us. The death of the author so proudly proclaimed by the structuralists and their intellectual heirs, the deconstructionists—that is, the belittling of the author's conscious role in his own creation—has been accompanied by the death of the hero.

In this leveling climate, the notion of the Lone Genius has taken on a certain romantic aura. We find inspiration in the drama of a visionary laboring alone to make his vision a reality. "The man who embraces a new paradigm at an early stage must often do so in defiance of the evidence provided by problem-solving," wrote Thomas Kuhn in his classic, "The Structure of Scientific Revolutions." The emergence of a new idea, Mr. Kuhn acknowledged, is "a process of accretion." It bulids upon what has gone before, But it also requires a kind of leap: It's

# Some things don't change. All great leaps start from a platform built by others.

counter-intuitive. The great inventor must "have a faith that the new paradigm will succeed with the many large problems that confront it, knowing only that the older paradigm has failed with a few." Defiance and faith — without those two key character traits, John Harrison would never have invented the chronometer.

No idea is created in a vacuum. John Harrison drew upon the discoveries of previous inventors, from Galileo, who invented

a navigation fielmet for observing the heavens, to Sir Isaac Nawton and Edmond Halley; Einstein's theory of relativity had crucial antecedents in the electromagnetic theories of James Clerk Maxwell and Michael Faraday. It's the way ideas are interpreted that determines their impact, "What happens when a new work of art is created is something that happens simultaneously to all the works of art which preceded it," wrote T. S. Eliot. The same holds true of a new invention: it not only changes the world, but alters the way we see everything

that has gone before.

Even the legendary Bill Gates understands this. In the public mind, Mr. Gates is a prototypical individualist, an empire builder in the tradition of J. P. Morgan and

#### In the 19th century, thinkers felt they could change the world. Now we are hard put to understand it.

Henry Ford, single-handedly forging the future out of his own visionary dreams. (What a guy!)

a guy!)
But in his book, "The Road Ahead," Mr. Gates himself acknowledges the collaboration of a school friend named Paul Allen, a fellow nerd who grasped the Import of the computer (in fact the collaborative invention of Alan Turing and John von Neumann, among others). Mr. Gates also acknowledges the editors of Popular Mechanics, who featured a small computer on the cover of their January 1978 issue.

"'Oh no! It's happening without us!" he recalls thinking as he loitered at the out-of-town newsstand in Harvard Square. "People are going to write real software for this chip." That was the breakthrough: the recognition that a revolution was about to occur. Mr. Gates's genius was to capitalize on the inventions of others — but it was still genius. Some things don't change: the way discoveries is made is one of them

discoveries is made is one of them.

What is it about the Lone Genius that continues to appeal to us? It's a type that speaks to our hunger for personal freedom, revives the largely discredited conviction that we make our own fates, act on our own free will Reading "Longitude" brought to mind Stephen Spender's poem, "I Think of Those Who Were Truly Great":

I think continually of those who were truly great: Who, from the womb, remembered the

soul's history

Through corridors of light where the hours are suns,

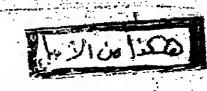
Endless and singing. Whose lovely ambition

Was that their lips, still touched with fire,
Should tell of their Spirit, clothed from

head to foot in song.

We like to believe such dominating figures are still out there. And who knows?

Maybe they are.



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#### ECONOMY

### Personal Trainers to Bolster the Boss's People Skills

By TRIP GABRIEL

HE boss, whip-smart and self-assured, had risen like a comet to become chief executive of a blue-chip entertainment company in his early 40's. On the way up, however, he had acquired certain blind spots. He was an armchair quarterback, signing off on every small decision. His meetings were a disaster: people wandered in every few minutes. with the boss doing nothing to fend off distractions.

Key vice presidents were on the verge of mass resignation. The directors got wind of the crisis. A call went out to Howard J. Morgan, a buman resources consultant who calls himself an executive coach — a Mr. Fix-It for personal dysfunction in the executive suite.

For five days late last year, Mr. Morgan attached himself like a barnacle to the Manhattan-based executive, sitting through his meetings, eavesdropping on his phone calls, tagging along on business lunches at the Union Square Cafe. He came up with practical advice and kept shadowing the executive to make sure he followed through.

Was time management a problem? Very well, Mr. Morgan became the boss's gate-keeper. When subordinates knocked on the door, he told them, politely but firmly, to take a hike. If the boss was hurrying to a meeting and stopped to chat, Mr. Morgan demanded, "Couldn't that have waited?"

After the initial full-court press, Mr. Morgan tapered off his contacts. He expects the executive, who insisted on anonymity, to remain under his care for a year, at a cost to his company of about \$40,000.

"Usually the person hates me for the first three months," said Mr. Morgan, who usually coaches several top executives at once, including clients at American Express and Coca-Cola, "But by the fourth month they'll love me. In a tactful way you're holding them up on things no one's tackled them on before."

Companies in trouble have long looked to outside experts for advice on market strategy, quality control and other straight-ahead business topics. But sometimes the problems turn out to be interpersonal, and then an executive coach may be called to the rescue. With backgrounds ranging from actual former football coaches to psychologists and personnel from downsized human resources : departments, executive coaches promise to rehabilitate talented bosses with whom, because of gaps in their personality, no one wants to work.

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Tom Saporito, a senior vice president of RHR International, a coaching firm based in Chicago, described some reasons coaches are hired: "There's a fire burning, a crisis of confidence, a tremendous rift in the ly out there by his lonesome without the support of the organization."

The small but growing practice has been embraced by companies like Texaco, AT&T, Citibank and Sun

There is no single reason for the rise of coaching over the last decade. But one factor appears to be the gutting of legions of middle managers, which has meant that surviving bosses have authority over areas where they have no expertise, straining their "people" skills.

Also, the advent of a generation of workers under age 45 who are more diverse racially and sexually and were brought up to question authority, has undermined the effectiveness of older white male bosses, many of whom adhere to commandand-control management.

"Years ago, if you were good, you could get away with being abrasive," said Judith Blanton, a coach. with RHR. "Nowadays people don't want to work with you."

Yet another factor is the spread of managed health care, which has squeezed the incomes of psychotherapists and prompted many to branch out. A special issue of the Journal of Consulting Psychology, to be published next month, extols coaching as a career of the future.

There is even Coach University on the Internet, a school for would-be coaches who attend classes by conference call and download course work from the World Wide Web (http://www.coachu.com/in-

fo.htm). Enrollment has more than tripled in the last year, to nearly 400. Many students, who pay a fee of \$2.495, already have coaching cli-Lake City who founded Coach U.

experienced and dangerously naïve end up getting that person fired."

Coaches tend to work in boutique ilies. Almost all coaches deny they buzzwords. engage in psychotherapy. Successful "I had to give everyone their own

being sent to a "work shrink." time in psychotherapy said the line it promoted her.

management team, a C.E.O. sudden- guised under the word 'coaching,' which is brilliant," she said. "because these people have opened up a whole area for themselves."

In some ways, coaching and psychotherapy clearly differ. Most coaching is short-term. Both its goals and solutions are practical. A boss who sees a coach because of a tendency to belittle subordinates will be encouraged to find ways to control the outbursts, not explore childhood memories of a domineering father. If the pursuit of childhood memories seems called for, coaches usually recommend traditional ther-

For Carolyn Piecherowski, the trouble began shortly after her promotion to comptroller of the Rosan Aerospace Fastener Division, a unit of the Fairchild Corporation that makes nuts and bolts for military aircraft like the F-16.

Ms. Piecherowski, 45, ran an accounting department with eight subordinates in Santa Ana, Calif. Half were used to seeing her as a peer, and the others had recently been hired. As a relatively immature manager, Ms. Piecherowski resorted to issuing orders with little explaoation. "I'd tell them, 'Do it the way I say. Don't worry about the whys," she said. "You had a dictator rather than a mentor for a boss."

Her subordinates groused to her superior, and even Ms. Piecherowski knew there were problems, "My people skills needed to be polished," she said. The company called in Dr. Blanton, who is based in Los Ange-

Why didn't Fairchild just dismiss Ms. Piecherowski? With many out-of work managers eager to take her ents, said Thomas J. Leonard, the place and companies desperate to former financial planner in Salt cut costs, how can executive coaching be justified? "The boss saw her Longtime coaches warn that new- as someone very talented in terms of comers to the field, which is unli- her technical skill," Dr. Blanton censed and unregulated, may be in- said, "and didn't want to lose her." Coaches say that most executives

about corporate realities. "It's a fad who receive coaching are still in now, but unless you understand the their 40's, with careers stretching culture of a company, you can give far enough ahead to justify an empeople some bad advice," said Dr. ployer's investment. But chief exec-Blanton, a consulting psychologist. utives in their 50's, who may consid-"A clinical psychologist who tells er a board's demands to see a coach someone to share their feelings can humiliating, have been known to take early retirement.

Dr. Blanton's suggestions for Ms. practices, though some big consult- Piecherowski were not complex. In ing firms have entered the field, addition to encouraging her to hold Fees range from \$5,000 for a half- meetings to clear the air, the coach dozen 90-minute sessions to \$100,000 gave the manager a reading list of for consultations that can last two pop business books, like "Talking years and involve fact-finding inter- From 9 to 5" by Deborah Tannen. As views by the coach with dozens of a result, Ms. Piecherowski is now colleagues, customers, even fam- armed with the latest management

executives, they say, will not tolerate ownership of their job," she said. "Letting them feel they were more But one New York manager who in the driver's seat." Fairchild was received coaching and who has spent happy enough with her progress that

was not clear-cut. "It's therapy dis- Another midlevel executive, a 39-



Judith Blanton, a consulting psychologist who is an executive coach with RHR International,

vear-old operations manager for a television production company in New York, was blunt about why her company sent her to a coach. "People found me to be a pain in the neck," she conceded.

The woman, who spoke on the condition of anonymity, said that if she got frustrating news during a phone call, she snapped at the next person who spoke to her. If others made what she considered foolish requests, she replied sarcastically. She responded the same way to a superior, which might have been fatal had her immediate boss not valued her enough to suggest coaching.

"I was angry and humiliated at first," the woman said. "But I was also opeo to it, I said if the company wants to pay for me to get some coaching, I'm smart enough to realize this is not any different than if I went for computer training."

The woman worked with Sharon M. Coleman, a clinical psychologist, in New York. "She gave the impression to people that she was angry with them a lot of the time." said Dr. Coleman, who was once vice president of training and development at Shearson Lehman Hutton.

Dr. Coleman engaged the woman in role-playing exercises and had her fill out a Myers-Briggs Type Indicator, a standard psychological test that measures 16 personality traits. "The more we talked, the more

the light bulb went on," the manager said. "When my boss asked me to do something, I should say, 'Sure, no problem.' If I felt somebody asked me something stupid, I might still feel angry, but now I hide it. That's what I learned. You work with people. It's politics."

Not all coaching is aimed at faltering employees, those in danger of derailing their careers or their companies. At some companies it is offered to scores of executives at once, in an effort to engineer a broad shift in strategy. Still other companies, like Texaco and Avon, offer coaching as a perquisite to proven managers, in the understanding that everyone has blind spots and can benefit from a detached observer.

At Northern Telecom, the giant maker of telephone equipment, thousands of employees fill out anonymous questionnaires that rate their bosses' leadership skills. In a debriefing of his results, Dave Thomson, a sales vice president in charge of 100 employees at a Northern Telecom division in Overland Park, Kan., learned that he ranked among the top 5 percent of the company's managers in terms of envisioning business strategy. But as a team player and a listener, he scored in the bottom 25 percent. A superior recommended coaching.

Mr. Thomson, 42, met with Marshall Goldsmith, a prominent figure in the field who has coached the chief executives of Texaco, Alfred C. Deman, Kent Kresa.

Mr. Goldsmith suggested ways for Mr. Thomson to improve his listening. When talking to a colleague, he was told to begin responses by briefly echoing what the colleague had just said. In meetings, Mr. Goldsmith advised, he ought to hold all commeots until the end, then present only his top three. To improve as a team player, Mr. Goldsmith said, Mr. Thomson should spend more time informing subordinates of the progress of projects.

"Before, I would never announce that the boat was leaving the dock," Mr. Thomson said. "We'd just start a job. Now I spend more time keeping people up to date and bringing them along. 'This is what we're going to do. Are you on board?"

Mr. Goldsmith, a former business school professor at Lovola Marvmount University and co-editor of the book "The Leader of the Future," acknowledged that much of his coaching was common sense. He compared himself to a personal trainer who comes to a client's home to bark encouragement during a

"I give people a formula," he said. "None of it's rocket science. The main thing is to follow through."

Mr. Goldsmith offers clients a money-back guarantee. He said that as companies became more hardnosed about coaching, they would press for proof of results. So he tries to measure clients' progress statistically. Mr. Thomson, three months after his coaching began, gave miniquestionnaires to 11 colleagues and customers, asking each to score him from minus-3 to plus-3, depending on whether they saw him as more effective, less effective or unchanged as a listener and team player.

"One-hundred percent of the people saw increased effectiveness at least at the plus-2 level," Mr. Goldsmith said.

For all the successes they claim, though, coaches acknowledge that sometimes their efforts end in fail-

Dr. Saporito of RHR said that about a year and a half ago he was hired to coach the new chief executive of a well-known consumer technology company. The boss had been



Howard J. Morgan, working with a client in Toronto.

brought in from outside with strong ideas about new products and quickly improving the bottom line. But within six months, he had alienated almost all of the key executives, who bought into his business strategy but bristled at his rapid timetable and his trampling of the corporate cul-

"The culture was built on strong interpersonal relationships, with nany traditions of how things got done." said Dr. Saporito, who has a Ph.D. in psychology. "The C.E.O. wasn't abrasive, just very focused on how he was going to drive the organization.

After interviewing all parties, Dr. Saporito gave the executive feedback showing how his efforts were self-defeating. But the executive resisted. "He tended to externalize the problems, saying it was the company and the culture's fault." Dr. Saporito said. "That was partly true. But he could not and would not take the time to figure out how to meet the culture halfway.

"That was his downfall."

Directors, who had hired the chief executive, forced his resignation after only a year. "He was trying to drive change by himself without building the team to support him," Dr. Saporito said. "He was left out there all by himself."

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### April 22-26: Bonds and Stock

| PRICES  DOMESTIC EQUITIES               |                             |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Broad market<br>S.& P. 500 index        | <b>Up 1.30%</b> 653.46      |
| Blue chips Dow 30 industrials           | <b>Up 0.59%</b><br>5,567.99 |
| Small capitalization Russell 2000 index | <b>Up 2.75%</b><br>347.83   |

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| Treasuries<br>Ryan Labs. Total Return    | <b>Up 0.15%</b><br>185.56 | European stocks D<br>F.TActuaries Europe                     | 210.62                    |
| Municipals<br>Bond Buyer index           | Unchanged 113.25          | Aslan stocks' F.TActuaries Pacific Basin                     | <b>Up 2.95%</b><br>175.43 |
| Corporates<br>Merrill Lynch Master index | <b>Up 0.14%</b><br>796.24 | Gold New York cash price Foreign indexes are shown in dallar | Up 0.41%<br>\$392.20      |
|                                          | +15%                      |                                                              | +15%                      |

Sources: Bank Rate Monitor; Bloomberg Financial Markets: The Bond Buyer, Datastream Goldman, Sachs, IBC's Money Fund Report, Mertill Lynch, Standard & Poor's; Ryan Labs

| BONDS                                                       |                             | OTHER INVESTMENTS                      |                                 |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Long bonds 30-year Treasuries                               | <b>6.79%</b> Up 1 basis pt. | Money market funds Taxable average Dov | <b>4.73%</b><br>vn 3 basis pts  |
| Short bonds<br>2-year Treasuries                            | <b>5.93%</b> Up 1 basis pl. | Bank C.D.'s<br>1-year small savers     | <b>4.83%</b><br>Jp 2 basis pts. |
| Municipals Bond Buyer index 100 basis points = 1 percentage | 6.00%<br>Down 4 basis pts.  | S.& P. 500 dividend yield              | <b>2.21%</b><br>Down 3 b.p.     |
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### The Greening of Newt Gingrich

It is a pleasure to welcome Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich to the growing club of politiclans who have come to believe that America's air, water, endangered species and what is left of its splendid natural resources deserve strong protection. His task now is to persuade some of his fellow Republicans to follow his lead.

In a speech to business people last week, Mr. Gingrich called for a "new environmentalism" that would provide even higher levels of protection without the regulatory burdens of the last 25 years. It would be based, he said, on rigorous standards, sound science and public-private cooperation. Parts of his speech sounded very much like the recent utterances of another late-blooming conservationist. President Clinton.

But his welcome conversion merely reminds us how much further the Speaker must travel if he wants to translate his rbetoric into substance and, to use his favorite word, "reposition" his party on environmental issues so that it is not punished by the voters in November. His first task is to figure out a way to control a handful of retrograde Republican colleagues who still cannot grasp a simple fact available to anyone who reads the polls - namely, that Americans do not want their basic environmental laws trifled with, however annoyed they may be

by sometimes silly regulations. One of these Republicans is Mr. Gingrich's very own floor leader, Tom DeLay, the majority whip, who championed many of the unsuccessful riders to last week's omnibus appropriations blll. Mr. DeLav has spent the last year trying to cripple the Environmental Protection Agency, which he routinely refers to as the "Gestapo." He has also proposed, not in jest, that Congress rescind the Clean Air Act amendments of 1990, George Bush's proudest contribution to environmental law.

Then there is the amazing duo of Alaska's Don

Young and California's Richard Pombo, who dominate the House Resources Committee and would like nothing better than to render meaningless the Endangered Species Act. Throw in James Hansen of Utah, who is leading the charge to privatize or turn over to the states millions of acres of Federal lands, and it becomes clear that Mr. Gingrich has some serious proselytizing to do.

The Senate, meanwhile, harbors Republicans like Larry Craig of Idaho, who hopes to make permanent the infamous "timber salvage" rider passed last year and approved by Mr. Clinton in a moment of weakness. That rider has already led to destructive logging of old-growth forests. Mr. Gingrich cannot do much about Mr. Craig, or Ted Stevens and Frank Murkowski of Alaska, who would open the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to oil drilling. Nor can he do anything about the Democrats - like Senators John Breaux and J. Bennett Johnston of Louisiana - who give environmentalists fits. But he could at least pass the word to Bob Dole that the Republican senators are doing little to

'reposition" the party on environmental issues. Is the Speaker up to the task? In his talk to the business people, he did not apologize for last year's House votes that weakened Washington's regulatory authority over health, safety and the environment. Nor did he show any remorse for a bill hatched by Bud Shuster of Pennsylvania that would have gutted the Clean Water Act. Luckily, it went no further than the House.

Even so, Mr. Gingrich is now on record as favoring sound science over narrow politics when it comes to framing environmental law. There is no sound science in the bills the Youngs, Pombos and DeLays are promoting. If we can take the Speaker at his word, he will not let these bills come to the floor. For that we will all give thanks.

### The Logic of Peace in Chechnya

The savage war in Chechnya has so far outlasted every effort to end it. The death last week of the Chechen rebel leader, Dzhokhar Dudayev, in a Russian rocket attack ought to bring both sides to their senses. They should at last commence serious discussions on a cease-fire and peace agreement.

There is certainly sufficient incentive for the Russians and Chechens to stop fighting. More than 30,000 civilians have died in the war, as have hundreds of Russian soldiers and Chechen fighters. Boris Yeltsin knows his re-election hopes depend greatly on ending the war, and the Chechen resistance surely must realize that further warfare can only compound the misery of the Chechen people.

Yet despite the overwhelming logic of peace and a proposed political settlement that would give Chechnya virtual independence, the war goes on. Mr. Yeltsin keeps declaring that Russian forces are suspending combat when it is plainly evident they are still bombing Chechen villages. He did so again last weekend at a news conference with President Clinton.

Either Mr. Yeltsin is deliberately trying to mislead his countrymen or he has been badly misled by his military commanders. Neither explanation is flattering to the Russian leader.

The Chechen rebels, for their part, have refused to put down their guns, apparently convinced that the prospect of continual war and ever-increasing casualties will eventually force Moscow to walk away and accept the full independence of Chechnya. That is an uncertain bet, at best.

Much now depends on the new leadership of the resistance. Zelimkhan Yandarbiyev, Mr. Dudayev's apparent successor, has been unyielding on independence, but other leaders seem prepared to reevaluate their position after 16 months of war.

The rewards of intransigence are all too visible in the destroyed lives and villages of Chechnya and the grave sites of Russian soldiers who died in a war they did not understand. Mr. Yeltsin should silence Russia's guns, and the Cbechen fighters should accept the large degree of independence he now offers them and return home to heal their families.

#### **Editorial Notebook**

### Mayor Giuliani Girds for Battle

One of Rudolph Ghiliani's big advantages in running for re-election is the fact that not many other

A Job Few Covet people actually want his job. More than a year before the New York mayoral campaign really begins, most of the city's top Democrats have already taken themselves out of the running, eyeing juicier prizes one more year down the line. Both Gov. George Pataki and Senator Alfonse D'Amato seem vulnerable when up for re-election in 1998,

despite the fact that former Mayor Ed Koch, in a burst of

advance planning, bas already endorsed them both. The conventional wisdom of New York politics is that Mr. Giuliani's job is not nearly as desirable as Mr. Pataki's or Mr. D'Amato's. It may be true in most professions that if you make it in New York City, you can make it anywhere. But being elected mayor is regarded as the equivalent of the Academy Award for lifetime achievement - a very high prestige way of saying your

Still, Mr. Giuliani is obviously happy with his present employment and is positioning himself for the next campaign. He has made peace overtures toward David Garth, his estranged campaign adviser. He has managed to get rid of Police Commissioner William Bratton, who, according to the polis, is the man most New Yorkers believe is responsible for bringing down the crime rate. The Mayor apparently did not want to run the risk that next year's opponent would promise to keep Mr. Bratton oo the job, offering voters the option of Giuliani crime control without Giuliani.

The one thing the Mayor will not do to get re-elected is change his style, since he has neither the talent nor the will for political mutation. That means he will continue to rely on a circle of advisers so small that his chief of staff serves double duty fighting crime at the fish market, and the head of the Department of Investigation also rode herd on the Columbus Avenue street repairs. He will not learn Mr. Koch's art of self-deprecating humor. During the campaign he will no doubt defend his best and worst decisions with equal vigor, and accuse his opponent, no matter who he or sbe is, of "old thinking."

The only Democrat who bas positively declared he wants to be Mr. Giuliani's opponent is Councilman Sal Albanese of Brooklyn. Mr. Albanese lacks name recognition. But a city that likes to see its Republican Mayor savage other Republicans may feel some sympathy for a Democrat who is equally irritating to his party leaders.

Strategies for Keeping

Council Speaker Peter Vallone, who has long since deprived Mr. Alhanese of all the normal perks of his Council seniority, was once reduced to disciplining him

hy throwing him off the Youth Committee. Former Congresswoman Geraldine Ferraro has been playing the Colin Powell role of the pre-campaign period. Ms. Ferraro, who has not held public office since 1984 and who has made no overtures toward running for mayor, was the only candidate who could beat Mr. Giuliani in a recent Quinnipiac College poll. But right now, polls can measure little but voters' shifting attitudes toward their mayor, and their ability to recognize names of opponents. Mr. Giuliani's polls have shown that he was most popular when he endorsed Mario Cuomo and when he displayed a softer side in his statements on child welfare earlier this year. But approval ratings from 40 to 50 percent during most of his term suggest that the next election will be close and hard-fought.

The best-known Democrats to express an interest in being mayor are two Borough Presidents, Ruth Messinger of Manhattan and Fernando Ferrer of the Bronx. Although neither is a declared candidate, both have been planning their campaigns for a long time. Ms. Messinger held her first unofficial fund-raiser, a women-only Super Bowl party, in 1994. Mr. Ferrer has hired Dick Morris, the political strategist who has pushed President Clinton to pre-empt the Republicans on social issues where the conservative stance is popular. It may be a coincidence that Mr. Ferrer, a lifelong opponent of capital punishment last mooth demanded the death penalty in the murder of a police officer in the Bronx.

Other Democratic options are dwindling. Public Advocate Mark Green receotly announced he will run for the United States Senate. State Comptroller H. Carl McCall and Congressman Charles Schumer seem to be aiming at the governor's race. Mr. Vallone has made it pretty clear that he values his evenings at home too much to run for mayor. "I need a family life, and I don't know whether this city allows you to bave one," he told the Times's Joyce Purnick earlier this year. "I think you can as President. I think you can as Governor. I don't think you can do it as Mayor of the City of New York." The nation's chief executive may have a lot on his plate. but Mr. Vallone is presumably impressed that he does not have to leave the dinner table every time there is an electric explosion in the subways.

### Goetz's Attackers Should Have Known Risks

THE NEW YORK TIMES EDITORIALS/LETTERS SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 1996

Re "The Goetz Verdict" (editorial, April 24): Perhaps you have forgotten what it was like to use the New York City subways in the mid-1980's. l haven't, nor have my friends. Riding the subway — with its filth and crime - traumatized many of us who now live elsewhere.

I bave never shot anyone, but I certainly fantasized about what retribution I might have taken if I had the chance to pay back those who mugged me, panhandled me aggressively, broke into my apartment or vandalized my car, to name just a few indignities I suffered at the hands of street thugs in the 1980's.

You seem to miss an important point. In my work there are various tradeoffs I accept in order to collect a paycheck. I take on stress, try to make cranky supervisors happy and try to keep happy those over whom I have some responsibility.

If I were a thief - and the individuals who approached Bernhard H. Goetz on the subway, including Darrell Cabey, admitted they were after money — one tradeoff I would have to accept is that in a violent occupation 1 must risk injury or death. If I'm not willing to make that tradeoff, I should get out of the business.

If Mr. Goetz is truly a racist whose only goal is to shoot members of

minority groups, his opportunities are nearly limitless. I haven't heard that be has done so since that day in 1984 when four thugs approached him in the subway, "asked" for money and then smiled in a way that could only mean that someone's blood would end up on the floor. Why should Mr. Goetz owe \$43 million for defending himself in that situa-

ROBEAT F. MARTIN Washington, April 24, 1996

To the Editor:

Re "The Goetz Verdict" (editorial, April 24): This is one more attempt to choose an aggressor and a victim in a case where all the principal players were aggressors and the victims have been overlooked. In 1987, the consensus was that Bernhard H. Goetz was a victim and that Darrell Cabey and his companions were aggressors. Today the reverse has been

Having bad the experience of being on that No. 2 train that fateful day in December 1984, I contend that there were five aggressors and about 100 victims. As we entered the dimly lighted car at 72d Street, which four individuals shouting epithets con-trolled, my girlfriend took my hand and moved us to the next car.

Within minutes, there was terror

and confusion. Running from car to car, we were among the terrorized subway riders who were convinced that a shooter was randomly gunning down passengers. The train stopped between stations for five minutes. We crammed into the last car of the train waiting to be picked off by n crazed gunman.

We were victimized twice that day, by four aggressive hoodlums who took pleasure in unnerving fellow passengers and by a self-serving gunman who was acting out a personal vengeance without regard for the trauma he imposed on his co-DAVID KRIEGEL New York, April 24, 1996

To the Editor: There is indeed a deep racism in America, but it is not only where Darrell Cabey's lawyer, Ronald L. Kuby, sees it (news article, April 24). Does anyone seriously believe that Bernhard H. Goetz would have been charged with a crime, much less sued, had he been black or his wouldbe attackers white? Mr. Goetz, the victim of multiple muggings, faced four armed young men with criminal records who demanded money. The worst injustice is that the courts then and now could be an instrument of MICHAEL LEVINE

New York, April 24, 1996

#### Mental Health Coverage Putting a Pickwick Cart Before the Horse

To the Editor:

Re Jane E. Brody's April 24 Personal Health column on new treatments for snoring:

Problems relating to obesity, with accumulation of fat in the neck, base of tongue, pharyngeal tissues and have always included abdomen. snoring and disturbed breathing in

Thirty years ago in medical school we studied the Pickwickian syndrome, named for the portly Dickens character, whose sufferers had poor sleep habits and daytime drowsiness, in the 1960's we were taught that weight loss would resolve this relatively rare problem. Americans have gained a lot of

weight in the last 30 years, so it's not surprising that snoring and sleep apnea are on the rise, too, By treating snoring as a disease and not as a symptom of chronic

overeating and underexercising, we may be doing a disservice to pa-Now is the time to take a stand on the remodeling of American shapes,

with stout, stocky, full-figured, largeboned and extra-large and so oo being the politically correct terms today for obesity.

and coronary artery disease are just three more major health problems related to poor dietary and exercise life styles. I long for the day when the medical associations emphasize attainment of health as opposed to the treatment of preventable dis-RONALD HALWEIL, M.D.

Gastroesophageal reflux (or acid

indigestion), adult-onset diabetes

Bayonne, N.J., April 25, 1996 The writer is an otolaryngologist.

understand those truths, the Bob

Grants of this country would become

irrelevant and the free-speech issue

would be replaced by the apathy

JONATHAN B. AUTSCHULES

New York, April 24, 1996

#### Won't Break the Bank To the Editor: Re "Senate Passes Health Bill With Job-to-Job Coverage" (front page, April 24): Business can complain about what

it perceives as the specter of Federal requirements to offer employees health insurance coverage for mental illness. But years of research show that covering the treatment of people who suffer from schizophrenia, manic-depressive illness, clinical depression and panic and obsessive-compulsive disorders makes. good economic sense.

These are diagnosable, treatable disorders of the brain. Federal research comparing treatments for heart disease with those for clinical depression shows that treatments for depression have better outcomes. 80 percent as against 50 percent for heart disease.

Other studies show a decrease in use of primary medical services when pante disorder and clinical depression are treated.

What research does not show is that equitable insurance coverage would increase use of mental health services and break the bank.

Many people with these disorders can be productive, taxpaying members of the work force. We have too long suffered the pain and economic hardship of the discrimination we face in health insurance simply because our disorders are rooted in chemical and structural irregularities in our brains instead of in our kidneys or hearts. SIBYL SHALO

Dir., Alliance for Mentally 111 New York, April 25, 1996

#### What Is the Answer to Free, Odious Speech? If we spent more time trying to

The thought censors seem to be

lo one case, the Southern Poverty Law Center writes to bookstore chains and distributors urging them to think twice about selling "The Turner Diaries," a race-war novel (news article, April 20).

In another case, Jewish groups prevail on St. Martins Press not to publish a biography of Joseph Goeb-

And we have the dismissal of Bob Grant, the radio talk-show host, after the broadcast of objectionable comments.

Whatever happened to free speech, as odious as some of it may be? Will we someday see the burning of books and videos in Times Square?

TREVOR DICK New York, April 21, 1996

To the Editor:

Re Frank Rich's "Grant's Unquiet Tomb" (column, April 24), on the dismissal of the radio talk-show host Bob Grant:

There are indeed important questions about how far the right of free speech should be extended to protect repugnant diatribes. But It is worth remembering that the public wants to hear, see and read such speech. Throw in a morbid fascination fueled by bombers, terrorists and perverts and you have a picture of what is going on in a significant number of

American minds.

delphia. ethical anomalies, Mr. Lengyel con-

Despite the publicity over these times to occupy the position of athlet-JEFFREY R. TISHMAN Glen Rock, N.J., April 24, 1996

#### At Naval Academy, Ethics Lapses Go Back Years

Re your April 24 editorial on ethical lapses at the United States Naval Academy extending beyond the student body:

In 1993, the academy's athletic director, Jack Lengyel, dropped several minor sports teams, citing financial considerations and a student body reduced in size by Congressional mandate. Fencing - the oldest and most successful team at the academy - was discarded after 150 years of producing outstanding ath-

letes. A paltry sum was saved. In 1995 The Baltimore Sun reported that five months before the teams were dropped, the Navy Athletic Association spent more than \$300,000 on a condominium for the use of the athletic director, and sent 96 guests on an all-expenses-paid trip to the Army-Navy football game in Phila-

#### To the Editor:

Re your April 21 news article on the United States Naval Academy's systemic" problems:

The academy's superintendent, Adm. Charles R. Larson, is doing an excellent job in one respect: he is rooting out malefactors mercilessly. But he has a tougher job ahead. because a great reversal has taken place in society. Midshipmen come from a school system culture where character development gets short

The academy, standing as it does for decency, honor, honesty and the qualities that make a naval officer a leader, is now the counterculture. It takes the best from 12,000 applicants a year to form a plebe regiment of 1,200. From the grueling plebe summer right through to commissioning week, the honor concept is taught.

Nevertheless, even out of these best, a small number of miscreants will surface. Charles J. Moagan Stony Brook, L.I., April 21, 1996 The writer is a United States Naval Academy information officer,

#### To Keep Yankees, Eminent Domain Makes Sense Big-Screen Violence:

Do Sensibilities Matter? To the Editor:

Re "Hollywood Thinks You Talk Funny. Darn Tootin'" (Week in Review, April 21), on the movie "Far-Marge, the pregnant police chief, asks the sadistic multimurderer, "You did all this for a little bit of money?"

1 ask the same question of the powers that be at Polygram Productions, who are probably congratulating themselves for having satisfied those who like to watch blood flowing freely over the movie screen.

Yah, the simple characters do and say dumb things, but the movie makers are not that naïve. They know where the big bucks are.

So what if a few sensibilities are disturbed? So what if the story could be told without all that gore? Some of us in the moviegoing public would like to know that we are about to see violence for the sake of violence. Do we matter anymore to the movie

PEARL KNITTLE NORMAN KNITTLE Hewlett, L.I., April 21, 1996

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To the Editor: While there is humor in Raymond Keating's and Matthew Carolan's

April 22 Op-Ed article criticizing my proposal for use of eminent domain to keep the Yankees in New York, what is really comical is the alliance between conservative theorists and the team's main owner, George Steinbrenner, to milk the public treasury.

Eminent domain has been used before. Indeed, the Brooklyn Bridge became public property when the stock of the private corporation that built it was condemned by the legislature. It is a sound legal concept. It is certainly the only option that doesn't leave us subject to the greed

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of professional monopoly sports owners or bribery by neighboring states. And it will get Mr. Steinbrenner to . the negotiating table as nothing else RICHARD L. BRODSKY Member of Assembly, 86th Dist.

Albany, April 24, 1996

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RICHARD G. THOMAS, Treas

## They Payeth Much

By Mary Gordon

that the fake pearls that belonged to Jacqueline. Kennedy

Onassis were sold at Sotheby's auction for \$211,500, I thought of the Gospel mage of the pearl of great price. The merchant finds a pearl, sells everything he has and buys it. Then I thought of this sentence of Jesus's: Where your treasure lies, there also doth your heart lie."

And then I thought of Mary Magdalene falling at the feet of Jesus, bathing His feet with precious ointment, drying them with her hair. It is Judas, the betrayer, who says the eintmeot should have been sold and the money given to the poor. Jesus rebukes him. The poor you always have with you. He says, suggesting a mystery at the heart of our understanding of money

#### Camelot's devout: they are rich but are they worthy?

and what it can buy.

But is there room in these biblical stories for a \$48,875 tape measure or a humidor sent by Milton Berle to John Kennedy inscribed, "Good luck good smoking"? The humidor sold for a half-million dollars, 200 times more than predicted. Was the Sotheby's auction a manifestation of an ancient pattern, or the American version of mad cow disease?

I began to think of how odd concepts of worth and value are. We offer something we call money, in the faith that some kind of equivalency is established, an equivalency we call value. "It's good value. It was worth it," we

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say. We sometimes say it was worth it even when we know we paid too much, because we understand we're paying not for the object we have purchased, but for the satisfaction of our desires. But at what price?

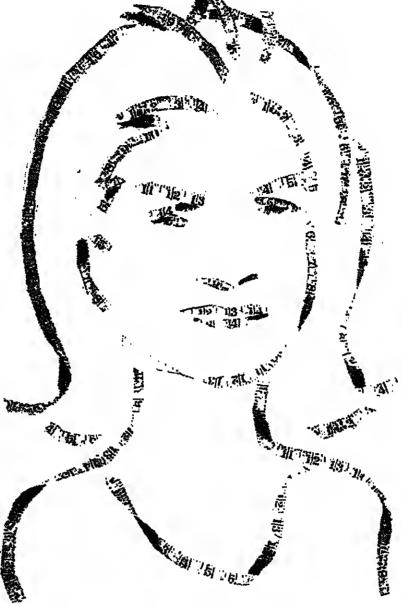
Everyone wishes for a world without empty belies. But almost no one believes any longer in a world in which every buman bas enough money only for what he or she needs. To our shame, we probably don't even want one. It is sickening to think that 20 inner-city children could be sent to collega for what that humidor cost. But it may be equally sickening to imagine a world where somebody tells us what we are allowed to value, therefore what we are allowed to desire and what desires we are allowed to fulfill.

I don't understand paying bundreds of thousands of dollars for a car, but if could I might do the same for a Matisse drawing. I can say that beauty is worth something, but what do f mean by worth? Or beauty? The owner of a Ferrari thinks the engine is a thing of beauty and a joy forever, and wouldn't know a Matisse from a mackerel. Which of us is right? And wbether the money is spent on a car or a drawing, neither is sending poor kids to school.

All this said, the Kennedy auction seems rather a special case. What were people buying? Not faux pearls, not humidors. They were buying a spirit, an aura. They believed that by owning something that touched the flesh of the Kennedys in a continuous and intimate way, they were achieving a continuous intimacy with the Kennedys - especially Jackie, who represented not only glamour but also dignity, serenity and courage.

Do we think that if we can live with something that belonged to them, we are denying their deaths? They baven't left us. Jackle will open the door any moment now and show us the narrowness of her measured waist; any second J.F.K. will light up a cigar.

This primitive desire to be close to an object that touched the body of a worshiped figure makes me think of saints' relics: chips of bone or fingernail or even pieces of cloth that touched the holy body. These were believed to be very powerful. Prayers said before them carried special effi-



cacy, could even release souls from purgatory. In the Middle Ages and the Renaissance, reliquaries, encrusted with jewels, were created to provide appropriate containers for these precious objects, allowing a display at once reverent and making a point about the wealth of the owner.

Was the Kennedy auction a secular search for the sacred, intersecting, as these searches so often do, with questions of position and of wealth? The poor did not have relics. They might kiss, through glass, a sliver of sacred bone. But they could not own it.

Inevitably, my mother's voice also

comes into my head, a working-class. no-nonsense volce saying, "It doesn't pay." This phrase was applied to everything from buying a fur coat, to going out on a hot day, to having an operation, to continuing a quarrel with the in-laws. It was sometimes a very sane restraining device and sometimes an excuse not to risk. It created a world where loss was kept at a minimum, but where pleasure was suspect and beauty thought a waste of time. This was a just world, but it feared both ostentation and desire often linking the two.

The relationship between desire and justice is morally vexed, which is why the Kennedy auction is so hard to come to terms with. It combines a revereoce for something at least some of us believe is worth revering with an excess that calls into question the ideals of these people we revere. And then there is the question of decorum. Or, as my mother would say, "Enough is enough."

#### Liberties

MAUREEN DOWD

### Cosmic Girl

I went to Cosmopolitan once, looking for freelance work. An editor gave me some red binders filled with story ideas. The ideas were oddly revers-

You could choose "I Had an Affair With My Best Friend's Father" or "1 Had an Affair With My Father's Best Friend."

You could choose "My Fling With My Gynecologist/Psychiatrist/Den-

tist" or "My Year of Celibacy." Or: "I Am a Puerto Rican Cosmo Girl," "I Am a Black Cosmo Girl," "I

Am a Handicapped Cosmo Glrl.". Helen Gurley Brown always understood you stick with a winning formu-

The editor of the one of the most successful magazines of all time had never won a prize for editorial content at the National Magazine Awards. But last week, she was honored for her commercial success, named to

the editors' Hall of Fame. She put the glass award on a table outside her office, underneath a picture of the young Christie Brinkley glistening in a gold bikini.

"I parted company with the feminists in the 70's when it was thought that you had to wear chercoaf gray turtleneck sweaters and no makeup, said Ms. Brown, wearing Adollo and jangly gold jewelry. "I was accused of hurting the cause because I was still talking about women as though they were sex objects. But to be a sex object is a wonderful thing and you're to be pitied if you aren't one."

We are sitting in her office, exactly the lair you would imagine for the editor who has spent her life urging young women to unleash the Inner tiger. There is a leopard-skin rug, pink flowered wallpaper, makeup mirrors on the wall, a candle on the desk, Chanel perfume by the window. and "Sammy Davis Jr.'s Greatest Hits" by the CD player.

Even at 73, Ms. Brown is relentlessly girlish. Her magazine, which also has a case of arrested development. has been running the same stories ("How Big Should the Big O Be?" and 'Just a Good Friend or Is She After Your Man?) since I was in college. And it's still the best-selling magazine on college campuses.

In September 1992, the cover blurb was "How to Hold a Man by Giving Him His Freedom." In May '93, It was "How to Hold a Man By Glving Him His Freedom." One bow to modernity: "Men Tell On-Line What Scares Them Silly About Commitmeot."

Hearst Corporation officials are easing Ms. Brown out, embarrassed by her downplaying of the AIDS threat for women and her pooh-poohing of sexual harassment, and replacing her with a younger editorial model. In this less-permissive era, Hearst fretted that the Cosmo Girl, fond of lingerie and married men, was as passe as the Playboy Bunny.

But they can't get rid of Ms. Brown so easily. The Cosmo Girl has permeated the culture. She is, after all, just a tarted-up Cinderella, always believing happiness is just one makeover away. At any newsstand you'll see her man-crazy, sex-obsessed image endlessly, tiresomely replicated, even for the teen set.

On the May cover of YM: "Go Get HIM! Guy-snagging Moves That Really Work." New Woman: "Take

#### She won't grow up.

Our Love Quiz!" and "Food to Put Him in the Mood." Mademoiselle: "Your Sex Life: 5 Ways to Rock Your World." Woman's Own: "Please Touch! 11 Forgotten Sex Hot Zooes." Shape: "The Science of Seduction."

"I used to have all the sex to myself." Ms. Brown sighs.

She stayed in amber so long that women circled back her way. Some go to elaborate lengths - breast implants, collagen shots, Wonderbras --to attract men. The sultry fabrics Ms. Brown always promoted - zebra, leopard-skin, satin - are now common at the office.

In an interview with Geraldine Baum of The Los Angeles Times, Debbie Stoller, the editor of BUST, a popular new zine for "girls," complained that "Helen Girly Brown" is stuck in a Valley of the Dolls world.

But the young editor does homage to Ms. Brown, even if she doesn't know it. She says that the early feminists were "women" who wanted to be like men, while now grown-up "girls," like Madonna and Courtney Love, want the freedom to be "girly" for their own pleasure.

Ms. Brown says: "Even when we grow up, we are all girls. Girl is the feminine side, the playful side, the hopeful side."

Even when Ms. Brown leaves, don't expect the Cosmo girl to grow up. She's too profitable just the way she

### What the Constitution Requires

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n 1956, Dwight D. Eisenhower appointed me to the Supreme Court. Now, at 96, I am frequently asked to identify the Court's greatest achievements in my 34-year tenure. High on my list is the protection of individual rights and human dignity. Our Constitution is a charter of buman rights, dignity and self-determination. I approached my responsibility of interpreting it as a 20thcentury American, for the genius of the Constitution rests not in any statle meaning it may bave had in a world dead and gone but in its evolving character. Only from this perspective bas the Court been able to erect some of liberty's most endur-

William J. Brennan Jr. retired from the Supreme Court in 1990.

Last week's round of Mideast diplo-

macy produced both winners and los-

ers. Here's how the judges scored it.

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### By William J. Brennan Jr. Abolish the death penalty.

(in 1954) that a public school cannot slam its doors on pupils because of

In my time, it was the living Constitution that required the police to inform the accused of their fundamental rights of defense (in 1966). Only the freedom to reinterpret constitutional language enabled us to conclude (in 1962 and 1964) that each American should have an equal vote and (in 1970) that the Government may not cut a welfare recipient's lifeline without bolding a hearing.

But we do not yet bave justice for all who do not partake in the abundance of American life. One area of law more than any other besmirches the constitutional vision of human

dignity. My old friend Justice Harry Blackmun called It the "machinery of death." It is the death penalty.

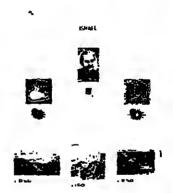
trait of racial discrimination on death row. Yet the ultimate problem is more fundamental. The barbaric death penalty violates our Coostitution. Even the most vile murderer does not release the state from its obligation to respect dignity, for the state does not honor the victim by emulating his murderer. Capital punishment's fatal flaw is that it treats people as objects to be toyed with and discarded. But I refuse to despair. One day the Court will outlaw the death penalty. Permanently.

The task of nurturing the constitutional ideal of dignity does not rest solely with the nine Justices, or even the cadre of Federal and state judges. We all share the burden.

If I have drawn one lesson in 90 vears, it is this: To strike a blow for freedom allows a man to walk a little taller and raise his head a little higher. While he can, he must.

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#### **Foreign Affairs**

THOMAS L. FRIEDMAN

### The Envelope, Please

Hafez al-Assad: Loser. Yes, I'know, the conventional wisdom is that the Syrian President, that wily of fox, once again got the better of everybody. He had the foreign ministers of France, Iran, Russia, Italy and the U.S. all jostling for his attention. But you only win in international affairs if you translate your tactical gains into some strategic objective, and Mr. Assad's problem is that be is all tactics and no strategy. He keeps reminding us how indispensable he is for a peace he never defines. Perhaps the way to make sense of Mr. Assad's behavior is to realize that rather than wanting Shimon Peres re-elected, so the peace process would continue, he may actually prefar to see hard-liner Bibi Netanyahu elected, so that the peace process would wither. Then Mr. Assad wouldn't have to face up to his bad

peace process and be another Libya. Mr. Assad may also prefer a hardliner in power in Israel, because he would prefer a U.S.-Israel relationship of the George Bush-Yitzhak Shamir variety, with all its acrimony, rather than the current warm ties. But Mr. Assad better be careful that he doesn't provoke another Bush-Saddam relationship -- with him as Saddam. That is the real cost of these past two weeks for Mr. Assad. More people are onto his game. He can't be the solution to the problem in Lebanon without also having been the problem in the first place. And if he

choices: Do a deal for the Golan at a

tima when Syria is relatively weak

vis-a-vis Israel or walk away from the

#### Who wins in Lebanon?

keeps trying to make himself indispensable, he might one day discover that be has made himself intolerable. Warren Christopher: Winner/Los-

er. The U.S. Secretary of State persevered to produce a new cease-fire along the Israel-Lebanon border. In doing that he saved many civilian lives and, maybe, salvaged the reelection hopes of Mr. Peres. But let's be clear about what happened here. What Mr. Christopher did was prevent a disaster from being the final result of his last three years of Middle East diplomacy and 20-odd trips to Syria - trips that were supposed to be forging a final peace treaty between Syria and Israel, not another cease-fire in Lebanon. Mr. Christopher negotiated this same basic cease-fire three years ago. If he treats this new cease-fire as some big success, then he will be a failure. But if he takes it as an indication that he must rethink his Syria strategy -- and the toughness and intensity that will be required of him to actually move Syria into a peace treaty with Israel

then he can be a winner. Shimon Peres: Possible Winner. The fighting in Lebanon was a reminder to the Israeli public of how unlivable the Mideast is without a peace process. The old Mideast is as bad as we remember. That reminder just might nudge the Israeli floating vote toward Mr. Peres and the peace process, and away from hard-line Likud Party leader Mr. Netanyahu, whose associates last week were advocating that Israel occupy "more" of Leba-non. That alone should be enough for every draft-age Israeli to vote Labor.

Yasir Arafat: The Big Winner. Mr. Arafat stepped up to his responsibilities and got the Palestine Netional Council to abrogate those elements of its charter calling for Israel's destruction. This breathed new life into the peace process and into Mr. Arafat's own credibility. In return, Mr. Peres's Labor Party ended its opposition to a Palestinian state. By changing the charter in the midst of the fighting in Lebanon and on Israel's Independence Day, Mr. Arafat also snubbed Mr. Assad. It was a signal that Mr. Assad no longer holds any veto over the Palestinians and that unlike the Syrian leader, Mr. Arafat isn't afraid to take his people into a new future.

The Lebonese: Losers. As always, the poor Lehanese were the rope in this Syrian-Israeli tug of war.

The Foreign Ministers of Russia, France and Italy: Losers All. Their Mideastern sbuttle, in the shadow of Mr. Christopher's, only complicated the diplomacy. It was a pathetic attempt to re-assert their diplomatic relevancy, after having stood by last year while the U.S. resolved the Bosnia crisis in Europe's own backyard. There is no way Israel, or Syria, would ever turn over its security interests to a European broker. Advice to the Euros: Get a life. Stick to dealing with problems like a common

currency and mad cow disease.

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## For Amanda Plummer, It's Bring on the Eccentrics

By JAMIE DIAMOND

**WEEKLY REVIEW** 

Los Angeles VE heard the story before: Lonely young woman in a nowhere job falls for exciting killer; a road trip with the requisite mayhem ensues. The new British film "Butterfly Kiss," which opens on Friday, has its lonely young weman, all right, but the exciting killer is played by Amanda Plummer.

Nipples pierced, spouting biblical quotations, Ms. Plummer's Eunice may be tough for an audience to take. And that's oot all: the character is also masochistic, sadistic, bisexual and homicidal.

As Ms. Plummer, 39, puts it in her quavering, breakable-china voice: "I don't play roles everybody likes. I'd rather have a career I'm proud of. Like everyone else, I need to eat. But I'm a very unbusinesslike person, and I keep my price low. I'm not a mass product. I'm not everyooe's cup of tea."

It's true that in the late 70's, when she appeared in her first Off Broadway play, "Artichoke," the critic John Simon likened her to Shirley Temple doing Boris Karloff. (Of her Eunice in "Butterfly Kiss" one might she sounds like Tinkerbell doing Travis Bickle.) In 1979, she was in her first film, "Cattle Annie and Little Britches." Pauline Kael, writing about her in that film in The New Yorker, said, "The only other actress I've seen make a movie debut so excitingly, weirdly lyrical was

On Broadway, Ms. Plummer went on to win Tony Awards for "A Taste of Honey" in 1981 and "Agnes of God" in 1982. The following year, after Sidney Lumet directed her in the film "Danlel," he compared her to the young Marlon Brando.

Still, the next time America's darling. Meg Ryan, turns down a role. it's not likely to go to Amanda Plummer. Ms. Plummer specializes in playing incandescent eccentrics. Like Lydia, the bashful object of Robin Williams's affections in the 1991 film "The Fisher King." Or

tion." Or Eunice, the self-mutilating mass murderer in "Butterfly Kiss," in which she stars with Saskia

"I'm lucky I'm not a babe who wants to do character roles," says Ms. Plummer, who drives an unbabelike 1979 Volvo and lives in a rented house in Coldwater Canyon in Los Angeles with the English screenwriter Paul Chart. "I like taking a path into new country, and f always take the darker path. Not because it's dark but because there's a secret there that you can share when you get out. That's what I liked as a kid. That's how I approach my work. With a face like mine, it's lucky I

have a heart that likes that. "I don't find anything interesting about the choices a character faces in major films or theater projects," she adds. "The characters are just cut-out dolis with the American flag sewn on them."

As the only child of a brief marriage between the American actor Tammy Grimes and the British actor Christopher Plummer, Ms. Plummer had an unusual upbring-

'My mother was larger than life," she says. "She was very glamorous, which is probably why I was a tomboy. Fortunately, oow when I wear something nice I don't lose my identity." With her mother frequently on the road and her father in England, she often lived with her grandparents in New England.

"My graodmother was schizoshe says. "I'd look into her phrenic. eyes and see a self that had no opinion. I was allowed to say or feel

But Ms. Plummer preferred to say things in writing and feel things in books. She was anchored to the Earth in ways that most people would not recognize. "I had a strong propensity, which I still have, to be invisible," she says. "In grade she says. "In grade school, I'd try to disappear and become formless. I lived in a very imaginary world. I loved poetry and wrote my first novel when I was 9. It was about a little girl and the people she met in the woods.

"I was going to be the hero of my own life. When you live in a world of make-believe it's not because some-Honey-Bunny, the twitchy, trigger-happy would-be robber in "Pulo Fic-is more in the make-believe. Everything is bad but because something thing was more heightened, more love, more death. I'm an opera. If I didn't act, I'd be all over the place."

Because she came from a family of theatrical luminaries, her decision to act was a complicated one. "It's not easy to follow in the parents' footsteps," she says. "Now it's O.K., but it wasn't at first. I'd hear a lot of, 'That's not your voice, that's my voice. You sound too much like me; you're doing that on purpose." "

When, at the age of 21, she made her Off Broadway debut, she so impressed Lamont Johnson that he asked her to audition for his film 'Cattle Annie.'

"She came in to read in a torn man's shirt, torn jeans and hair hanging all around her face," he says. "Not improper grooming. No grooming, period. She was smoking furiously, and I kept wondering if she was going to set herself on fire. So I went over and pulled her hair back to see her marvelous bone structure, and it was like I raped ber. Her eyes got frightened, and she withdrew. I said, 'But we can't see you acting, and she completely changed.

"Ask her to be a character in a story and she's on fire," he continues. "She walks on crumbling ground, and she knows it, and yet she keeps right on taking the next step. lt's the danger you smell around people who live on the edge that makes them exciting. And she's got plenty of that."

Elizabeth Ashley, who played a psychiatrist opposite Ms. Plummer's pregnant nun in "Agnes of God," says: "She's one of those people who has no physical skin, no calluses, no shell. She doesn't act; she absorbs."

To play Eunice, Ms. Plummer, not a British bisexual serial killer herself, had quite a bit of absorbing to do: she had to become a woman who spoke with a strong Blackpool accent, chopped off a man's head, engaged in explicit nude love scenes, and wore chains dangling from rings that pierced some very sensitive parts of her body. (Through movie magic, the piercings only looked real.)

"Eunice's sense of isolation, her feeling of being at odds with the



Amanda Plummer in Los Angeles-In "Butterfly Kiss" she sounds like Tinkerbell doing Travis Bickle.

world and other people, her wanting people to recognize who she is but feeling a great distance between them - maybe that's what appealed to Amanda about the character," suggested the film's director, Michael Winterbottom, "And why she's

As for the roots of Eunice's character, "blsexuality was not a central

"We wanted a story of two opposites, one person being aggressive and strong and forcing people to pay attention, and one being passive and quiet and being ignored. We thought it would be too crude if one were a man and one were a woman. We thought it would be nicer if they were

Like a number of other actors, Ms. Plummer has chosen to pursue big and a chameleon you can't take your roles in small movies rather than

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of the same sex."

small roles in commercial ones. Lawrence: Bender, the producer of "Pulp Fiction," thinks that this trend took off when low-budget movies stopped being synonymous with exploitation movies.

"In a low-budget film, there are fewer financial pressures, and an actor like Amanda can take more risks," he says. "She's a chameleon,

### Adrift in Warhol's World

By STEPHEN HOLDEN

AZING desperately into the gloom, scrunching my 23-year-old features into an expression I hoped would convey the essence of tormented poetle melancholy, 1 arettes, took dramatic little gulos of bourbon from a paper cup and fought back Imaginary tears.

Deepening the mood of romantic agony was the voice of Dionne Warwick sobbing "A House Is Not a Home." It wasn't the soundtrack I had asked for when Andy Warhol invited me ooe evening in the fall of 1964 to drop by his Factory on East 47th Street and make a movie in which I could do anything I wanted. The scene-setting musical accompaniment for this 20-minute silent film of the sensitive young poet "brooding" was supposed to have been Mahler.

But hey! This was my motion picture debut, and I wasn't about to ruin it by being a finicky prima donna. And anyway the director was nowhere to be seen.

The only other person in the loft was Warhol's assistant, Gerard Malanga, who aimed the camera at the couch where I struck a "maudit' pose. I prayed that I wasn't making a complete fool of myself.

In those days, I was an aspiring young writer on the fringe of a bohemian circle that orbited around the poet Frank O'Hara. One evening a bunch of us found mirselves at a party given by the poet Barbara Guest where Warhol, who was still an underground figure in the art world, happened to be in attendance. I had already heard about his Factory, where anybody could drop in and be given a screen test, and I invited myself over.

Those interested in the history of the Factory and in Warhol's personality in the 1960's will find surprisingly accurate reconstructions of both in Mary Harron's new film, "l Shot Andy Warhol," which opens on Wednesday and will be shown at the Cannes International Film Festival next week. This semi-docudrama stars Lill Taylor as Valerie Solanas, who shot and seriously wounded Warhol on June 3, 1968. Solanas, the angry feminist founder of SCUM (the Soclety for Cutting Up Men), was furious at Warhol for not recog-

nizing her playwriting "genius." Although my untitled 20 minutes of preening angst was made three and a half years before these events, the look and feeling of the place were pretty much the same. It was a bohemian open house and a playpen for misfits who were legends in their own minds. Even in 1964, the atmosphere was charged with a mysterious, slightly scary buzz. When I asked a fellow Factory visitor to explain, he summed it up in one

word: amphetamine.

It was an atmosphere that probably had to explode sooner or later, since Warhol's film esthetic was propelled by a voveurism that dared each new wave of "superstars" to go further in self-exposure than the one

Warhol, who was only in his mid-



Valerie Solanas in 1968-She did shoot Andy Warhol.

30's when I met him, was almost handsome, with a cleft chin, a sensual mouth and a shock of silver-blond hair that slanted down over one eyebrow like that in the famous photograph of Truman Capote on the back "Other Voices, Other Rooms." But the fact that the hair was a wig. his skin pasty and blotched lent him an aura of neurotic ill health.

There was something creepy in the contradiction between Warhol's boyish enthusiasm and the attitude of stylized ennui through which he filtered it. If words like 'fabulous!' and "wow!" were typical of his responses to people and to the gossip he devoured with an insatiable fascination, they were uttered in the voice of a faux-innocent little boy.

Jared Harris's impersonation of the artist in the movie captures Warhol's verbal style with eerie perfection. He had the speech mannerisms of a bashful child, bumbling along on ers, ums, goshes and gees. Was this the carefully cultivated affectation of a jaded fashion maven or the genuinely fearful manner of an arty high school kid who grew up feeling like a freak and an outcast?

After the filming, Warhol appeared and the two of us ambled uptown, he to his apartment somewhere in the East 90's and 1 to the \$80-a-month tenement I shared with a friend on East 62d Street. As we strolled up First Avenue, he stopped and stood transfixed in front of a supermarket window, behind which glared a stack of Day-Glo colored Brillo boxes.

Then he turned to me and gasped, 'Aren't they beautiful?"

I wondered if he was joking. But in a matter of months, Warhol's first exhibition of Brillo boxes created a pop-art sensation.

I never saw my movie, although I heard it was one of many films projected onto a wall of the Balloon Farm, an early mixed-media eovironment that Warhol installed in an East Village nightclub a couple of years later. Warhol had assured me over the telephone that I was "terrific" and had "great screen pres-ence," but I knew I would be mortified watching myself indulge in a self-dramatizing sulk.

Despite my qualms about the Factory, I did drop into it several more times. During one visit, the documentary film maker Emile De Antonio consumed an entire bottle of booze while the camera trailed him around for more than an hour. The sight of someone losing control and lurching around in front of the camera only confirmed my suspicion that an invitation to appear in a Warhol film was a request to get

naked and go crazy. By the time of my last visit to the Factory, in the spring of 1965, what had been a bohemian open house only months earlier was developing into a high-powered scene. The occasion was a party for Rudolf Nureyev, then the toast of New York. I remember watching the dancer strut out of the elevator, the quintessence princely hauteur, with an entourage of handsome young men. Under the blaze of his charisma, the party's three other star guests - Montgomery Clift, Judy Garland and Termessee Williams - seemed to wilt as they huddled together on the couch, looking intimidated and rather

Warhol never fully recovered from the wounds Solanas inflicted. The last time we talked, at a party a decade after I first met him, he was a shriveled, ashen shell of his former self, a zombie who seemed isolated within bis chattering circle of hangers-on. His dead eyes looked like windows inviting people to jump through them. And many had taken the plunge. In his passivity I sensed a malevolence.

It took 25 years for the rest of the world to catch on to what Warhol already understood about fame and the power of pop iconography in America. Nowadays, on any morning you can flip from channel to channel and find the descendants of Warhol's "superstars" getting naked, going crazy and ripping open their lives for Jerry Springer, Richard Bey, Sally Jessy Raphaël and any number of other talk-show ringmasters. I can almost hear Warhol clucking his approval at each soulbaring, tear-drenched exhibition.

'You were terrific," he would say in his hushed, oh-wow voice. "You bave great screen presence."

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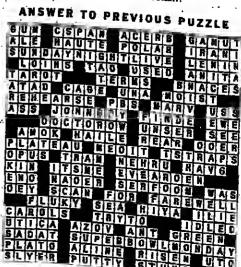
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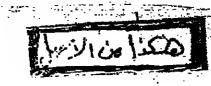
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The Palestinian

Authority Postal Service

is slowly but

surely getting

on its feet.

Jay Levinson

reports

on the envelope and drop it into

a mail collection box in Tel Aviv,

a man concerning ook in tel Aviv, it will not get very far. But, there is a solution — the Palestinian Authority Postal Service.

Put a PA stamp on that same letter, place it in a mail box in

the PA, and off the envelope

goes towards its destination. Plain and simple? Yes, but after a

Following the Oslo accords, the nascent PA issued a short set

nf four definitive stamps showing its coat of arms. It then

nrdered the printing of a series of

postage stamps bearing denuminations from 5 to 1000 mils (5

agorot to NIS 10) and showing

the national flag and various his-

However, Israel objected to the

monetary unit reminiscent of the

old British Mandate coinage. As

a result, the stamps in the large

series were printed over with the

rocky start.

ANT to send a letter to Saudi Arabia? If van

paste an Israeli stamp

cash sent by registered mail is accepted. According to Gharib, the banking system is not yet set up to handle check clearance

In addition, not all stamps have

been distributed to the post

offices, so "buying everything"

does not insure acquiring full

sets of all issues. There are stick-

ers for airmail and registration,

but there are still no aerograms,

postcards, or international reply

Another catch is that service is

restricted to first-class letters,

meaning one can't send a pack-

Kamil Shaath, director-general of the PA Ministry of

Communications and Post, said

that in addition to the objective

problems of starting the postal

service from zero, the closure

makes it even more difficult to

get the service up and running.
"No, I am not talking politics," he explained. "We cannot send stamps from Gaza to the post office in Nablus ... We can-

However, even prior to the clo-

sure, letters did not move quick-

ly to or from the PA. A registered

letter from Jerusalem to Gaza

Still, the mail is moving now.

Originally, all PA mail was for-

warded via Israel. Now, most

foreign mail takes this route, hut

items to Arah countries are sent

directly from the West Bank via

For those interested in starting

Inrdan or from Gaza via Egypt.

a PA stamp collection, it is still

not clear how to collect the

stamps. Singles are no problem

and there aren't any plate blocks.

However, the upper gutter row has PA written in Arabic; the

lower gutter has the same text in

English. Only time will tell if these rows will become valuable

to collectors, as the tab rows on Israeli issues bave.

took three weeks to arrive.

not move the mails."

## When does a crime involve moral turpitude?

**ASHER FELIX LANDAU** 

In the Supreme Court, sitting as a Court of Civil Appeals, before Justices Mishael Cheshin, Yitzhak Zamir, and Dalia Dorner, in the matter of Haim Cohen, appellant, versus Shmuel Cohen, Lior Horev, and the Labor Party, respondents (C.A.

ETWEEN 1980 and 1985 the appellant Haim Cohen, a public servant and member of the Labor Party, committed three offences of accepting bribes and two of theft. Legal proceedings against him started in 1986, and his appeal to the Supreme Court against his District Court conviction was dismissed in 1993. He was sentenced to three months' conditional imprison-

The respondents Shmuel Cohen and Lior Horev moved the party's supreme tribunal to cancel the appellant's membership. The tribunal, however, dismissed the application.

The party then accepted the appellant's application for inclusion in its primaries list, and the above respondents appealed to the party's petitions committee to cancel that decision.

The appeal was dismissed, and those respondents then applied to the Jerusalem District Court to remove the appellant from the

The court allowed the applica-tion, ruling that the committee's decision was in breach of section 6.1.4. of the party's election constitution of January 20, 1996. Under that section a candidate could not be included in the primaries if he had been convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude, unless 10 years had passed since the conviction. or seven years since he served his sen-

The appellant then appealed to The Supreme Court, in giving

judgment, said the appellant's conviction of theft was not discussed in the appeal. The question arose, however, whether accepting bribes was a crime involving moral turpitude. Citing precedents including Udah's case (H.C.251/88, The Jerusalem Pust Law Reports, page 84), it reiterated the two tests to be applied - the circumstances of the particular case,

legislation.
Section 60(a) of the party's constitution, the court continued, empowered the tribunal to cancel a person's membership if he was convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude. However, it had decided in the appellant's case that in view of the constitution's objects and the extremely long period that had elapsed since the crimes were committed, they did not fall within that

and the purpose of the relevant

The petitions committee chairman, it said, regarded herself bound by the tribunal's decision (although she disagreed with it), and the committee followed the tribunal's ruling. Needless to add, appellant's counsel strongly urged the court to do likewise.

THE SUPREME Court, in dealing with the appellant's appeal against his conviction, had emphasized the gravity of a public servant accepting bribes, and the necessity of imposing a sentence of actual imprisonment unless special circumstances justified a lighter penalty. It then ruled clearly that the appellant's crimes of accepting bribes did involve moral turpitude. However, it declined to send him to prison only because of the many years that had elapsed since the crimes were commit-

The contt now wished to emphasize in the clearest terms its rejection of the tribunal's

produced, but a good many may be produced in the US for export

and then diverted, laundered in

the Lesser Antilles or in the

Cayman Islands and smuggled

The job of government agents

in tracking these illegal ship-

ments is not made any easier by

the attitude of the Republican-

controlled US Congress, whose leading members are pressing to

rescind the terms of the Montreal Protocol and allow

domestic production and use to

continue at least until the year

To bolster their arguments,

Congress has invited dissident

scientists who hold the minority

view that CFCs are probably not

to blame for ozone depletion and

that in any case "nature will repair the problem."

Just how far Congress will get

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back into the US.

finding that the appellant's accepting bribes did not involve moral turpitude. At the same time, there was much substance in its consideration of the inordinate delays in the court proceedings which followed, and the long period since the crimes were committed.

The question now remained what course the court should fullow. It had in the past expressed its reluctance to intervene in decisions of vuluntary associations' tribunals. Members of such bodies were presumed to have submitted in advance to such decisions, and it was inappropriate for them in request the court to interfere with decisions they did not like.

Citing precedents, the court ruled that only in a few limited and defined circumstances would it intervene - where the tribunal had exceeded its pow-ers, or where it had violated the rules of natural justice. It was nf course possible that other completely exceptional cases could

Only after anxious consideration did the court decide not to intervene in the present case. The moral turpitude remained, and the tribunal erred in ruling

On the other hand, it bad not exceeded its powers, nor had it violated the rules of natural justice. Moreover, there were no other exceptional circumstances which justified the court's inter-

For the above reasons the appeal was allowed, and the District Court judgment was set

Uzi Atzmon and Yosef Alon appeared for the appellant; Eitan Peleg (Pomeranz) appeared for Shmuel Coben and Horev; and Ehud Segev and Yitzhak Herzog appeared for the Labor Party. The judgment was given on March 24, 1996.

same values, now called fils.

According to Ahmad Gharib, a veteran Gaza postal employee who started working there before the Six Day War when Egypt ruled Gaza and who now beads the PA Philatelic Bursan, the relationship of the Paris of the Pa the PA Philatelic Bureau, the relarively few mils stamps which

> valid for postage, but only within the PA. They may not be used for postage from the PA to Israel or to destinations abroad.

were not overprinted are still

The next PA stamp series, released in 1995, also had its problems. The Oslo accords explicitly specify that all stamps

must clearly carry the words





"Palestine Authority." And so. on the 1995 series the words "Palestine Authority" appear in both English and Arabic.

The problem was that the pictures on the stamps were reproductions of British Mandate stamps. This made newspaper headlines as some Israelis interpreted the Mandate stamps labeled "Palestine" as a political

At the the top, a PA stamp bears the monetary unit of mils, which Israel objected to because of its affiliation with the coinage during the British Mandate; a stamp with a newer design (center) replaces mils with fils; another problematic stamp (left) reproduces the motifs of the British Mandate (left).

which showed national garh, yet another series was released shortly before spring with a Christmas motif. You have to understand,"

Gharid explains. "There are difficulties. We are just getting started. We missed the deadline." Still, the Philatelic Bureau, beadquartered at the Gaza Central Post Office, is progress-ing little by little. Gharib now can process requests and standing orders for stamps, but there

Crossing into the PA can be an interesting experience in itself. but it bas mixed rewards if you want to huy stamps. Pustal clerks, most of whom had are no "official" first day covers worked for the Israeli postal system, tend to be friendly as they curiously size up Israeli cusor post-office opening envelopes. The accounting is also strictly manual and only

The PA's stamp collection



Not all the problems have been political. After a short series

machine, chemicals pass over the

sensor surfaces and produce

changes in the electrical current

flowing through them. Those cur-

rent changes are logged into a

computer attached to the system,

and the unit is then programmed

to recognize odors based on their

The company that makes AromaScan boasts it "emulates

the human nose." The Food and

Drug Administration and univer-

sity researchers who use it say

The machine does work in a

limited way. It's good at picking out things that don't belong

where they are - such as crude oil

But it just isn't sensitive nr

smart enough to figure ont when

food has begun to spoil, says

Walter Staruszkiewicz, a research chemist in the FDA's

seafnod lab in Washington.

That's hecause it fncuses nn

that's not quite the case.

in fish exposed to spills.

electrical signatures.

"It technically has possibili-ties," Staruszkiewicz says. "But

as things stand today, you're

basically working in the dark. It's

very much like looking at a

that smell trip a series of changes

in what's called the olfactory

bulb. Those changes release

additional chemicals that travel

to the brain and are interpreted as

Anhurn researchers have

already proved that thin layers of

such chemicals carried on metal

chips can signal the presence of

nearby compounds. The first sen-

sors detected potassium, and

decays.

be easy enough to make.

Now the trick is to learn more about bow animals identify odors, isolate additional smellsensitive chemicals and figure out ways of putting them onto

snowstorm against a white sky and trying to see the flakes." By using biological compounds Researchers at Auburn want to - cloned odor receptors, odorabandon the plastic sensors in sensitive mucus, and proteins favor of proteins that trigger the that set off the smell reaction animal smell response. the researchers hope to get past When odors drift into an anithe background interference that mal's nose, proteins sensitive to plagues today's smell detectors.

They also expect to load a single fingernail-size chip with thousands of odor recepturs, enough to create a sensor that's nearly as sensitive as a dog's nose, Myers says.

Wilson isn't so sure. "We're not ready for a competition with the dogs," he says. And when that day comes, "being a veterinarian, I suspect the dogs might win any-

### US smugglers having a field day with CFCs

. D'VORA BEN SHAUL

LTHOUGH drugs and weapons are still the two things that figure most prominently in international smuggling, a new commodity on the smugglers' list has been the traffic in CFCs, which are banned in many Western countries - most recently the US and Canada.

According to the Miami Customs Office, these prohibited chemicals now rank second only to drugs on the US smug-

Chlorofluorocarbons, CFCs, are principally used as a propellant in aerosol sprays and as a coolant in refrigeration and air-conditioning systems. They are in especially high demand for small air conditioners in

They have, however, been implicated as one of the most serious causes of depletion of the ozone layer, which sur-rounds the earth and limits the amount of ultra-violet light that enters the atmosphere.

This ozone layer already shows serious depletion, and the damage is continuing and getting worse.

According to the terms of the Montreal Protocol of 1987, which was framed to help prevent the depletion of the ozone layer, all local production of CFCs in the US and Canada was to cease by January this year, although some companies would be allowed to continue the production of this material for sales to developing countries, where there is an additional 10-year grace period before they stop production and/or use.

The alternatives to CFCs for refrigeration purposes, and in some cases to their use in acrosol containers, are mostly more expensive, often require major changes in the refrigeration system and, in certain conditions, marginally less effec-

This has created a large demand for CFCs in the US, where only completely new equipment produced after 1988 is originally suited to alternative

According to Miami customs officials, at least 22,410 tons of CFC coolants were smuggled into the US last year, and they helieve there were more than

They expect another increase this year. Many of these ship-ments originate in India, Russia and Mexico, where they are still

#### Scientists smell success for artificial nose . As air is sucked into the volatiles, not the organic com- Myers says sensors for lead in HERE'S a simple premise even her knowledge.

behind what Larry Myers does for a living: If you can smell it, you can find it. Myers is the founder of Auburn

University's Institute for Biological Detection Systems, an oddball assortment of veterinarians, chemists and physiologists chasing the ultimate in detection devices - an artificial nose.

For now, the subject of their research is little more than a stack of gleaming chips tucked away in a laboratory drawer. But soon, such a tool could be

hanging from the belts of police, arson investigators and foodsafety inspectors.

"The technology that they're working on would suggest quite reasonably that, within three to five years, we'll have some workable sensors ready to use," says Robert C. Wilson, a veterinarian, pharmacologist and the institute's current director.

Such devices might find wide use in places that attract bombtoting terrorists. Police could detect drugs, bodies and bombs stashed in cars, while food inspectors could easily test food and water for contamination.

The implications for revolutionary advances in public safety and the food industry are astounding. But so, too, are the possibilities for abuse: Such machines could determine whether a woman is ovulating, without a physical exam - or

The American way is to be uncomfortable with broad searches," says Glen Marx, a sociology professor who studies police surveillance from his office at the University of Colorado.

"One of the traditional protectors of American liberty is that it has been impossible to search everyone. That's getting not to be the case."

Myers founded the Auburn institute in 1989 with three missions in mind. He wanted to improve the ability of drug and bomb dogs to do their work. He wanted to expand science's understanding of the basic physiology of smell. And he wanted to use that knowledge to create an "artificial hiosensor," what Myers calls a "nose on a chip."

Myers recently resigned from the institute to focus on his work with dogs. But he's still very much involved in the work on artificial hiosensors at Auburn, where the approach is totally different from anything ever seen

Take, for instance, AromaScan. About 200 copies of the sensor have been sold to industries and researchers at about \$50,000

It's a desktop machine based on a bank of conductive plastic chips sensitive to specific classes of ehemicals, called volatiles, that evaporate into the air.

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# CEO quits La Nationale after poor '95

GALIT LIPKIS BECK

LA NATIONALE general manager Dr. Moshe Pereg submitted his resignation at the end of last week following the insurance company's heavy losses in 1995.

La Nationale will publish its net results for 1995 today, the last day a company is allowed to publish its annual results according to the Securities Authorities regulations. Industry sources expect the firm to announce a net loss of about NIS 170m. for 1995 and a fourth quarter net loss of NIS 100m.

Fnurth quarter losses represent the fourth straight quarter it has recorded poorer earnings compared with the same 1994 period. Pereg, who will quit at month's

end, could not be reached for comment. La Nationale chairman Bar Cochva Ben Gera will take over. He is also general manager nf Hadar Insurance, La Hadar Insurance. Nationale's parent company. It is not certain if Pereg will keep his 10-percent stake in the firm.

Insurance sources said the losses are expected tn erode La Nationale's shareholders capital to NIS 30m. The losses are mainly due to the cancellation of kibbutz life insurance policies and the payment of large fines to subcontractors as a result of delays in

premium payments.
At the end of last week, Hadar's board of directors agreed to increase La Nationale's sharehnlders capital by NIS 20m. in an attempt to enable the company to meet the minimum shareholders capital requirements set by the

supervisor of insurance. The board rejected Pereg's proposal to sell the firm to one of the economy's large conglomerates. Hadar is reportedly considering

merging La Nationale's insurance activities with its insurance divisinn and looking into the possibility of turning it into a private firm.

Hadar also reportedly plans to
publish a profile through which La Nationale's shareholders will be able to maintain their voting rights in the company by investing additional capital.

### Northern residents want NIS 2.3b. in aid

INDUSTRIALISTS and government officials yesterday estimated the direct damage inflicted on businesses and individuals in the North at some NIS 200 million, while local leaders demanded the government launch reconstruction programs to the tune of NIS 2.3

The Manufacturers Association appealed to the Finance Ministry and the Income Tax Authorities to belo industrial firms in the North that have incurred direct and indirect damages of about NIS 100m.

The Income and Property Tax Commission, meanwhile, estimated that at least an additional NIS 100m. was lost by small businesses and home owners.

The manufacturers reported 100 firms, employing about 11,000 workers, were forced to close during the 17-day operation, and three factories were hit by

Katyushas. Leaders of municipalities and regional councils, who met in Kiryat Shmona with Finance Minister Avraham Sbohat, demanded the government exempt that city from property taxes, a 75 percent exemption for other settlements along the Lebanese border, budget-deficit

JENNIFER FRIEDLIN and GALIT LIPKIS BECK

financing by the Interior Ministry, and NIS 800m. in road construc-

Manufacturers Association managing director Ynram Belizovsky has asked the Finance Ministry and Income Tax Authorities to quickly assist the firms.

He recommended that the Income Tax Authorities send property tax appraisers to the fac-tories and called on the Treasury to shorten the time period facto-ries must wait for compensation.

The association has also requested that the Treasury compensate companies for salaries. similar to the compensation given to workers on reserve duty.

The association emphasized that the Treasury does not give full compensation to workers. For example, they will not be com-pensated for overtime and other special payments.

Prior to heading North for a two-day tour of the area, Shohat said he will use money from the existing budget to pay for the damage and "will do his best" not

to impose new taxes. The Income Tax Commission has so far paid NIS 6m. in com-pensation. The authority received more than 700 claims in the first few hours after opening claims centers in Kiryat Shmona and Nahariya yesterday morning. In the final day of fighting alone, more than 100 apartments were damaged, bringing the total number to 1,450.

In the first stage of its program, the Treasury will compensate people for property damage and will later offer payment to those who lost income as a result of not being able to work during the

Although he decided not to cancel the property taxes for Kiryat Shmona residents, Shohat said the government has marked the city as a preferred industrial area, and Prime Minister Shimon Peres said he will encourage state companies to purchase goods from factories in Kiryat Shmona by granting companies an exemption from the bidding process.

Income Tax Commissioner Doron Levy amounced that residents of cities in the confrontation area will have until May 15 to file income tax payments for March.

### **BUSINESS BRIEFS**

"Smart cards" that are electronically "filled" with money credits will probably take over for Telecards, Bezeq officials predicted yesterday. Nevertheless, Bezeq launched its new telephone card marking the 3,000th anniversary of Jerusalem's becoming David's capital in a ceremony at Bezeq headquarters attended by Mayor Ehud

The 120-phone unit card was designed by Sharon Murro with help from her father Haim Murro, who – ironically – was for years the manufacturer of Bezeq's now-obsolete phone tokens (asimonim).

An agreement arranging the transfer of employees from Bezeq to its nascent subsidiaries has been reached between company management and the workers' new representatives. The accord allows Bezeq to go ahead quickly with its subsidiaries, which must compete with the private market. Since the daughter companies are fully owned by Bezeq, workers can more easily be transferred from one company to another.

Judy Siegel

UN partey begins here: The United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) begins its annual meeting in Tel Aviv today, after having earlier considered canceling it due to the hostilities in

### Net profit increases at Avner Insurance

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AVNER Insurance, the company which compensates automobile accident victims, completed the year with an increase in net profit to NIS 34.29 million from NIS 23.82m. in 1994.

The improved earnings come after many years in which the company reported large annual

The consortium's accumulated deficit decreased to NIS 750m. from about NIS 1b. at the end of

Key factors which contributed to the higher earnings included a growth in premium payments to NIS 1.55 billion from NIS 1.32b. primarily due to a rise in tariffs, and growth in number of cars on

Total revenues increased to NIS

1.67b. from NIS 1.33b. while total claims rose to NIS 1.4b. from NIS

The company's total expenses rose to NIS 58.6m. from NIS 49.3m., despite implementation of

According to Avner's contract with insurance firms, it pays automobile accident victims compensation of 70%, while the insurance firms pay 30% of the cost.

But Eliyahu Insurance, which was involved in a legal conflict with Awner at the start of the year. has decided to cut all relations with the consortium.

Eliyahn announced yesterday that as of next year it will independently incur the compensation costs for its automobile accident

### Panel approves banking bill amendment

THE Knesset Finance Committee yesterday approved the hard core of the Brodet Committee recommendations to cut and cap the banks' holdings of real assets, and plans to send the bill to the pleoum for its final reading next week. Because it did not have time to finish the entire bill by the end of the current Knesset ses-

sion, it split the bill into two parts. Those parts oecessary to implement the Brodet recommendatioos were passed yesterday, except for one clause which it will finish up tomorrow.

However, all amendments not directly related to the Brodet report were killed due to the lack of time. If the government wants them passed, it can reintroduce

The Association for

Promoting Tourism

#### **EVELYN GORDON**

them in a separate bill next Knesset session, said committee chairman Gedalya Gal (Labor).

The bill states that banks must reduce real assets to a maximum nf 20 perceot of their equity by the year 2000. In 2001, the maximum perceotage will be reduced to 18%, and in 2002 to 16%.

In addition, banks will out be able to build a controlling stake in more than one major bolding company. The latter is defined as a firm with an equity of more than NIS 1.25 billion, and with investments of more than NIS 12.5m. in three or more economic sectors. The committee changed the bill

before approving it. One of the

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most significant was the elimina-tion of a clause requiring mutual funds controlled by the banks to ensure that outside directors have a majority on the funds' investment committees. However, the committee retained the clause, saying such funds' votes in sharebolders' meetings must be determined by the outside directors.

The committee also decided that business promotion banks would be allowed to control start-ups for up to six years, and the state can put conditions on the resale of assets sold as a result of the bill. The ooe clause still under

debate is one that would forbid banks to bold less than a cootrolliog stake in another bank or financial institution.

#### Indigo to unveil restructuring plan today JENNIFER FRIEDLIN

INDIGO, the beleaguered digital printing firm that was hailed as a market phenomenon only last summer, is expected to announce a drastic restructuring program

The Dutch-based company, which has research and development and manufacturing facilities in Rehovnt, is expected to fire some 300 emplayees, about onethird of the company's staff, industry sources said.

The company spokesman refused to comment. As recently as last August,

Indigo founder Benny Landa appeared on the cover of BusinessWeek, which featured his . company as one of a handful of highly successful Israeli firms to make it onto the international high-tech stage. At the time the article was pub-

went public on Nasdaq in 1994, had just fallen to \$45 after hitting a high of more than \$60 earlier that month. The retreat, following reports

lished, shares in Indigo, which

of second-quarter losses, put Indigo in a more realistic position,

But the losing trend persisted, and the company's stock plum-meted until bottoming out at \$7 per share, before the stock recently started recovering. On Friday, the last day of trading, Indigo's stock closed at \$16.

After incurring losses of between \$40m.-\$50m. in 1995, the company's market value dropped from a high of \$3.3b. to a current \$800m.

Industry sources said the current growing pains do not necessarily signify stunted growth and expect that the company - which has worked on projects with such companies as AT&T, 3M and Japan's Toppan Printing Co. Group - will rebound.



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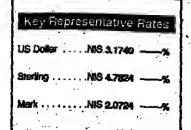
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### Precious metals suffer losses COMMODITIES ROUNDUP

NEW YORK precious metals futures suffered losses on Friday, as commodity funds were seen liquidating long positions, estab-lished during Thursday's rally.

Analysts said the metals markets have been following the progress of the grains and CRB markets closely, due to the perception that higher commodity prices are inflationary, which should provide support to the metals complex.

On the close, June gold was down 3.1 at \$392.20 per ounce. May silver closed 10.03 cents

lower at \$5.262 per ounce. July platinum was down 3.7 at \$405.40 per ounce, while June palladium ended 4.8 lower at \$132.20 an ounce.

Chicago high grade copper futures finished in negative territory oo Friday, but near the top of the day's trading range. Rollover activity from the May contract into the July pressured the market, sources said.

Traders also noted technical factors which affected the market, such as profit-taking and a decline in LME stocks. The May copper futures cootract closed 65 points lower at \$1,2235 per pound.

After a volatile day of trade, the May wheat and corn futures closed sharply higher on Friday.

May corn futures surged to a record high on dwindling stocks of US com and a relentless aggressive export sales pace, traders said. Tomorrow is first notice day for deliveries on the May corn cootract. May corn closed up 81/2 at \$5.071/2

Tight stocks of wheat and ed CBOT May wheat to a new contract high on Friday. The May wheat contract closed up 20 cents per hushel to \$7.161/2 a hushel.

Chicago soy futures closed lower on Friday, pressured by the mixed grain trade. Sources said fund selling and skittish trade in the corn and wheat gave the soybeans little support and a lack of fresb news also offered little

The July soybean futures contract closed 41/4 cents lower at \$3.2675 per bushel.

New York cotton futures settled mixed on Friday, with the July contract ending slightly lower on contioued local pressure. The May contract is in its notice period, and the last trading day is May 8. July cotton settled one point lower at 85.64 cents. The spot May cootract settled 85 points higher at 84.20 cents.

The July sugar futures contract cents - just off the session low of

points higher on Friday at \$1,2695, while the May coffee futures contract settled 260 points higher at \$1,2795. The July cocoa cootract settled \$3 higher at \$1,392, and the May contract settled \$10 higher at \$1,381.

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#### China visit for Taiwanese tax

bankers has begun a private visit to China to meet counterparts, the China Times Express reported

Former deputy finance minister Pai Pei-ying, currently Taiwan's International Commercial Bank of China chairman, led the group of more than 10 people from goverument tax offices and private

During its visits to Beijing and Hangzhou, the group will meet its counterparts, including high-level Chinese officials, to discuss tax issues. The paper did not specify

China had expressed willingness to sign a pact to avoid double-tax-

## Politicians, union leaders criticize Bonn's savings plan

Diving rand tests new South Africa

on whether to go ahead with May 29 local

elections in the violent Zulu heartland, where a

gang's murder of a princess has raised ten-

Mandela's African National Congress wants

the election, originally due last November, put

It says political killings and intimidation make a fair vote impossible in the KwaZulu-

Natal province the rival Inkatha Freedom

last week's attack on a royal palace, where Zulu King Goodwill Zwelithini's niece died

and one of his five queens and a daughter were

They are seriously wounded in hospital.

out with his nephew the king after the 1994

elections and accuses him of favoring

Zwelithim has said for months he feared

Despite all his economic and political woes,

"Freedom Day comes at a time wheo we are

making progress on all fronts to build South

Africa into a land of our dreams," he told the

77-year-old Mandela exuded optimism wheo

he briefly marked Saturday's holiday at a col-

orful parade in the capital Pretoria.

Inkatha leader Buthelezi Mangosuthu fell

The ANC has blamed inkatha supporters for

FRANKFURT (Reuter) - German politicians and union leaders over the weekend lashed out at Chancellor Helmut Kohl's controversial savings package and promised a tough fight as the pact winds its way through parliament for legislative approval.

"The government has gone too far, the people will fight back," Rudolf Dressler, deputy chief of the opposition Social Democrats parliamentary group told German news magazine Focus.

Late last week Germany's coalition government agreed to a broad package of spending cuts, welfare reform and tax changes designed to stimulate sluggish economic growth, tackle unemployment and rein in a runaway budget deficit.
The pact, which Kohl admitted

"could create hardships", would save DM 50 billion next year and ready Germany to join Europe's planned currency union at the end of the century.

It includes plans for a reduction

JOHANNESBURG (Reuter) - The new South

Africa, two years old this weekend, faces key

tests on all fronts from solving the politically

charged murder of a Zula princess to curbing a

planned general strike's impact on the diving

The honeymoon period following 1994's historic all-race elections on April 26-29

seems truly over, but President Nelson

Mandela barely had time to mark the anniver-

sary of the end of white rule over the black

and big business leaders to try to find a way to shore up the rand, whose descent against the

dollar since February was accelerated by plans

Cosatu, called the strike in protest at demands

by the once whites-only National Party (NP)

that the final post-apartheid constitution should include the right to lock out striking

South Africa's last white leader and now a

vice-president in Mandela's government of

national unity - to try to break the deadlock

over the constitution due to be adopted by May

consider a report from an all-party task force

Tomorrow the president will also have to

Mandela also met the NP's FW de Klerk -

The country's largest labor federation,

for a national strike tomorrow.

He hastily called talks yesterday with union

in the Solidarity Surcharge on families were delayed.
income tax, a 20 percent cut in Even Bundestag Pre sick pay, a delay in a child benefit rise, no pay rise for civil servants and raising the pensionable age for women from 60 to 63.

Heide Simonis, Social Democrat premier in Schleswig Holstein, called the pact an affront to women, families, pensioners, the sick and unemployed and vowed, "the Bundesrat will do everything it can to rectify this injustice."

While many parts of the pact need approval only from the lower house Bundestag, where the coalition has a slight majority, others must pass the upper house Bundesrat, controlled by the Social Democrats. But objections to the pact did

not stop at party lines. Two members of Kohl's junior coalition partner Free Democratic party told German mass circula-tion Bild Zeitung they would vote against the pact if a clause cutting sick pay remained and new aid for

off again.

Mandela.

assassination.

Party controls.

stabbed, hacked and shot.

Even Bundestag President Rita

Suessmuth, a member of Kohl's Christian Democrats, told oewsmagazine Focus "the pensionable age for women is raised, but disadvantages for women are kept or

are being newly strengthened."
Gerhard Schroeder the Social Democratic premier in Lower Saxony argued that pushing back the pensionable age was unpro-ductive since it only clogged up the labor market.

State politicians also complained the pact nofairly increased the burden for cashstrapped state governments.

Bonn's reladonship with the unions, which had become increasingly strained as efforts to get the unions to agree to the plans failed, may now be heading for a collision course.

IG Metall metal workers union bead Klans Zwickel on Friday called the plan a plot against labor and social justices. Meanwhile, white collar work-

against being fired would not help create more jobs but would merely let Germany keep pace with US practices of "hiring and firing workers."

Business leaders' reaction, on the other hand, was generally pos-itive. Hans-Olaf Henkel, president of the German federation of Industry BDI, shrugged off all suggestions the pact unfairly hurdened the middle class.

"What has been decided will benefit the unemployed," be told newsmagazine Focus.

The Bonn government will still have to exceed its medium-term borrowing goals by taking on an additional DM 6b. in new debt than originally planned, despite

the broad reaching savings plan. Focus reported Finance Minister Theo Waigel had told a cabinet meeting the government would have to take on DM 55b. in new debt in 1997, not DM 49b. as

reach for the stars."

reach 4% in 1996.

Johannesburg.

rand 18% in three months.

"A bright future beckons. The onus is on us,

Michel Camdessus, managing director of

through hard work, honesty and integrity, to

the International Monetary Fund, added his

support at a news hriefing the same day after the opening of UNCTAD, the first UN confer-

ence South Africa has hosted, marking its

said of the government's pursuit of "prudent fiscal and monetary policy" while keeping up

growth that was 3.3 percent last year and could

and economic instability have weakened the

However, investors' perceptions of political

It hit a new low on Friday of 4.58 to the dol-

lar but rallied in after-hours trade to 4.37 after

a tactical one-point rise in the Reserve Bank's

stopgap measure that begged more decisive

government action at a time when South

Africa stands a crossroads on economic policy.

between an aggressive market-related growth

package and the statist, interventionist and

inward-looking policy favored by the unions,"

said Nick Barnardt of BOE NatWest to

Economists said the rate rise was only a

"The game is up. They've got to decide

key Bank rate that will burt borrowers.

This is an extraordinary success story," he

return to the world community.

#### NY upwards **TEL AVIV STOCK MARKET** ers union DGB complained plans to pare back legal protection ROBERT DANIEL

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Shares follow

STOCKS rose for a third day yesterday on optimism that interest rates will stay steady and on trading of shares listed both in Tel Aviv and New York.

Many investors are expecting that last Sunday's rate boost by the central bank is "the last increase for some time," said Moshe Jonas, manager of the Jerusalem office of the securities firm Moritz and Tuchler.

Traders here also matched advances in a number of prominent Israeli stocks that trade both in Tel Aviv and New York, he

The Maof Index rose one percent to 214.50, while the Two-Sided Index went up 1.24% to 203.34. The Two-Sided crossed 200 Thursday for the first time in five weeks.

The most active share was Bezeq, the state-controlled telecommunications company. unchanged on about NIS 6.6 million of shares traded. IDB Holdings added 2.2% on about the same volume.

Across the exchange, shares worth NIS 93.5m. traded. On the broad market, almost five issues for every one that fell.

Last Sunday, the central bank lifted the rate at which it lends to bank 0.8 percentage points to 14.8%. The decision to raise rates was taken because of rising inflation and expectations that inflation would accelerate, as well as an expanding money supply, the

central bank said. The Bank of Israel had last changed rates oo February 1, when it raised the rate at which it lends to banks 0.3 percentage

The consumer price index rose a lower-than-expected 1.0% in March from Pebruary and M1 money supply rose a higher-than-expected 3.8% in the same period. March's CP1 increase, follow-

ing a 0.9% increase in both

February and January, brings annual inflation to lo about 12%. That exceeds both 1995's 8.1% inflatioo and this year's government-set target of 8% to 10%.

Jonas and other traders and investors are hoping for what they call a package deal, involving government budget cuts to reduce domestic demand, a devaluation of the shekel against the US dollar to boost exports, and interest rate cuts from the central bank.

Few expect such an effort before the May 29 election; most say that whether the governing Labor Party or the challenging Likud wins the vote, it will happen afterward.

"The general opinion in the market is that in the end, it doesn't matter" who wins the vote. Jonas said.

"If Labor wins, it will be easier and quicker" to implement such a plan, simply because the government is already in place, but the obligation is the same for either

on the Maof Index, Koor Industries Ltd. was unchanged. Shares of Israel's largest industrial company, which has about three dozen businesses, gained a total of 1/2 to 181/2 oo Thursday and Friday in New York.

Koor subsidiary Tadiran Ltd. which has interests in consumer appliances, telecommunications and defense contracting - rose 1.5% in Tel Aviv. Tadiran's shares traded in New York gained 5/8 in the last two days of New York

trade. Clal Electronic Industries Ltd. jumped 4.5%.

Clal Electronic owns 26% of ECI Telecommunications Ltd., which leaped 211/8, or 8.5%, to 271/4, late last week. ECI shares doo't trade in Tel Aviv. Teva Pharmaceutical Industries

added 2.3% after rising 13/4 Thursday and Friday in New York. (Bloomberg)

mend any early easing of the ban,

implement further measures to

combat Mad Cow disease if there

is a clear commitment from the

EU to lift the ban speedily. EU

member states bave said Britain

must first take further radical

"The two things are indissol-ubly linked," a British official

stressed, noting that about a dozen

steps have been taken to curb the

disease since an emergency farm

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slaughter weekly 15,000 older

dairy cows, which have ended

their productive life, and ensure

that they are not processed into

animals over 30 months old, is

due to start up next week. It tar-

gets animals most at risk from BSE and would speed the decline

of the disease by up to 30 percent. The number of British BSE

cases is expected to fall to 3,000

in 1998 from an expected 8,000 in

1996 and a peak of 40,000 tn

1992, according to British esti-mates. The new program would reduce the number of cases to

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to ease EU beef ban BRUSSELS (Reuter) Britain is The lack of prior warning and Britain's apparent failure to set for a long struggle today to persuade skeptical European enforce a ban imposed in 1989 oo Union partners that its plans for feeding sheep and other animal extra measures to curb Mad Cow waste to cattle - widely seen as disease justify easing a worldwide the cause of BSE - were also critban on British beef exports. icized. At a two-day meeting of EU Countries, such as France, farm ministers in Luxembourg. Germany and the Netherlands, British Agriculture Minister were expected today to press for Douglas Hogg is due to present EU aid to support the beef market and will be reluctant to recom-

**Britain** battles

detailed proposals for tracing and slaughtering some 42,000 animals most at risk to the fatal cattle brain "We hope for some modest relaxation of the ban," said a British official, noting that scien-tific experts have advised that certain beef products, such as gelatin - which is widely used in food

and pharmaceuticals - are safe. The ban was imposed on March 27 to restore consumer confidence after Britain announced a week earlier that Mad Cow disease could spread to humans.

Farm ministers can only recommend whether to ease the ban and this would be discussed by the EU's Standing Veterinary Committee of senior member state officials on May 7-8, a commission spokesman said. If a majority in the committee is in favor, the European Commission would then take a formal decision.

British agriculture officials were locked in intensive talks over the weekend with the the EU's executive Commission to clarify the new British measures. Hogg was due to meet EU Farm Commissioner Franz Fischler today before the ministerial meet-

"It's still very cloudy at the momeot," a British official said, referring to prospects for lifting

EU officials said member states were angry that the British government's sudden announcement last month that Mad Cow disease, or Bovine Spoogiform Encephalopathy (BSE), could spread to humans sparked coosumer panic across the the cooti-

Some 170,000 British cattle have been slaughtered due to BSE over the past 10 years, compared with only around 1,000 in the rest nent and led to the collapse of

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World sugar futures settled at lows not seen since February 6 on continued fund liquidation on the May contract and new fund and speculator selling on the July contract, traders said.

settled 30 points lower at 10.36 10.35 cents. The May sugar futures contract settled 34 points lower at 10.54 cents.
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# officials, bankers

TAIPEI (Reuter) - A group of top Taiwanese tax officials and

banks, the newspaper said.

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## Mac. TA up 2-0 over Herzliya

THERE was good news and bad news for Buei Herzliya fans in last night's second Upper Playoff game against Maccabi Tel Aviv. The good news: This time they made it a game. The bad news: That means they only lost by 11, 80-69.

If the two teams were playing a choose-up game, Herzliya fans would've been justified in saying the sides just wereo't fair. After all, besides missing David Thirdkill, as they did last game, this time they were also without Koren Amisha, who is out for the year with a heel injury.

Things got so desperate that shooting guard Amir Katz found himself in the role of playmaker after reserve point guard Ami Nawi struggled against Maccabi in the early going. Katz gave it a go, but Maccabi capitalized on the fact that there was no one to run the Herzliya offense. Before Herzliye coach Muli Katzurin could blink an eye, Maccabi was up 6-0, and it looked like someone should have intervened and awarded the game to Maccabi as a

"shntout" before things got as ugly as they did in the first game. With Tom Chambers and Naday Henefeld working the ball between them to perfection, Maccabi raced to a 17-6 bulge. Chambers scored oo several nice feeds from Henefeld, scoring 16 in the first half. Meanwhile, Katz was Herzliya's only offensive weapon early on, scoring 16 in the teammates to rely on for help. The

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insertion of Lior Arditi into the line-up and a late surge by John Hudson underneath got Herzliya back to within 10, but Maccabi controlled the offensive boards. Coach Zvi Scherf's squad was also unselfish oo offense, with nine different players scoring in the half, including Guy Goodes, who scored his first three points since his knee injury shelved him for most of the season.

But while everyone expected Maccabi to just keep piling up the points in the second half as they did in Game 1, Herzliya players had other ideas, particularly Arditi. Popping in a three-pointer here and driving for a basket there, he led a 21-9 Herzliya rally that thrived on missed shots by Maccabi and the absence of Chambers, who left after being assessed a technical, his fourth foul, with just over 15 minutes to play. When Opher Fleischer scored underneath, Herzliya had amazed even itself by narrowing

the gap to 61-57.

However Radisav Curcie - who fouled out of the game and had a very quiet 10 points on the night, hit two important baskets to boost Maccabi's lead back to 66-57. Chambers returned and added two foul shots to his already fine night to reopeu a 10-point lead at 71-61. and it looked like lights out for

But rising to the occasion, Katzurin's players put their per-

sonnel and financial problems behind them for one more courageons run at Maccabi. Flesicher scored, Arditi hit another basket and then Nawi stole the ball and fed Katz, who buried a threepointer with 2:40 to bring Herzliya to within 71-69. Then Herzliya suddenly turned back into a pumpkin. Two foul shots by Curcie and a big three-pointer by Doron Jamchee - who spent much of the second half on the bench in foul trouble - snuffed out any remaining Herzliya hopes as Maccabi scored nine unanswered points to seal the victory and a 2-0 lead in the best of five series.

To outmanned Herzliva's credit, they played a fine second half, and can only hope they can bottle some of the spirit they displayed to use in the do-or-die Game 3. which takes place Wednesday night at Yad Eliahu. As for Maccabi, although they pulled this one out when they had to, they had no business letting Herzliya back into the game. Scherf's club will have to play much better to beat Hapoel Jerusalem - in action tonight in Game 2 of their series against Hapoel Galil Elyon at Kfar Blum

- if the two match up in the finals. Chambers had 25 points and again displayed how vital his presence is to Maccabi, while Henefeld scored 11 in addition to playing a superb defensive game, stifling Hudson on several occasions. Katz had 25 for Herzliva while Arditi had 20.

### Shaq's 29 fires Magic past Pistons

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) -Shaquille O'Neal scored 29 points and Orlando took a commanding 2-0 lead in its first-round series against Detroit with a 92-77 victory yesterday.
O'Neal made 13 of 19 shots,

grabbed seven rebounds and had six assists despite playing only 36 minutes because of foul trouble that helped Detroit stay in the

Detroit slowed down the pace as much as possible, but Orlando was able to pull away in the secood half. After Otis Thorpe gave the

Pistons a 50-49 lead, Orlando responded with a 12-0 run. The Magic led by eight after three quarters, and Detroit got no closer the rest of the way. Lakers 104, Rockets 94

Magie Johnson, who griped about his role in the Lakers' playoff opener, had the run of the floor Saturday and scored 26 points in a victory over the visiting Houston Rockers, who played

the final 10 minutes without Hakeem Olajuwou.
The two-time defending NBA

champions overcame an 11-point first quarter, their worst of the season, but the Lakers took command after Olajuwun, who hasn't fouled out of a regular-season game in seven years, drew his sixth foul with 10:05 remain-

Pacers 102, Hawks 94 (OT) Rik Smits, sore feet and all, showed that the Indiana Pacers can win in the playuffs without Reggie Miller. Smits had 29 points night, including five in overtime, as the host Pacers held off the Atlanta Hawks, tying their best-of-5 first-round playoff series at

one game apiece. Utah 105, Portland 90 Karl Maluue scored 30 points, including eight in the final five minutes, as host Utah took a 2-0 lead in

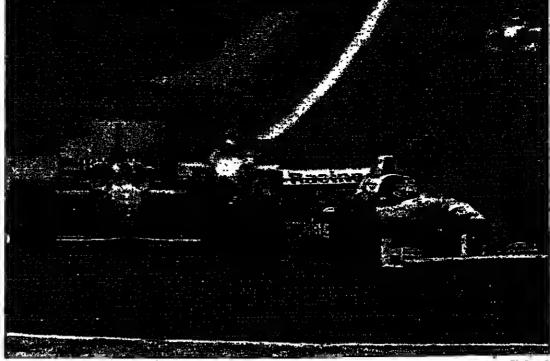
their first-round playoff series.

Malone hit 12-of-23 from the field and pulled down 14 rebounds for the Jazz, who best Portland 110-102 in Thursday's opener of the best-of-5 series. Jeff Hornacek added 18 points, including 4-for-4 on 3-point-

John Stockton, who had 23 assists in Game 1, handed out 16 in Game 2 and scored 15 points.

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QUICK TO FINISH - Canada's Jacques Villeneuve races ahead of Germany's Michael Schumacher and Britain's David Coulthard during the last lap of yesterday's grand prix. (AP)

### Canada's Villeneuve wins European Grand Prix

NUERBURGRING, Germany (AP) – In only his fourth start, Jacques Villeneuve posted his first Formula One victory yesterday, leading from start to finish in the Grand Prix of Europe and holding off defending world champion Michael Schumacher.

The 25-year-old Canadian, in his rookie Formula One season, survived tremendous pressure from Schumacher, the local hero, to win the 67-lap race in his Williams-Renault by 0.762 seconds ahead of the German's Ferrari.

"It's a great feeling to win the first Formula One race, especially here before Michael's fans," said Villeneuve, who became the youngest IndyCar cham-

"Michael pushed very hard, he got close but it was

fun and that's what racing should be," he said. In his four starts this season, Villeneuve now has one victory, and two second places, failing to finish

Villeneuve picked up 10 points and reduced the gap separating him from leader Damon Hill, who had won the first three races of the season and was on a four-race winning streak.

After the race, officials disqualified both Tyrrell-

Mika Salo of Finland, who finished 10th, was disqualified because his car was 1.5 kilograms under the official limit of 600 kilograms.

Ukyo Katayama of Japan, who placed 12th, was disqualified for being push-started.

### Flyers, Avalanche, Blues join Panthers with series wins

NEW YORK (AP) - Florida, Philadelphia, Colorado and St. Louis all closed out their firstround series in the NHL playoffs Saturday.

The Panthers beat the Bruins 4-3 to win their series in five games, the Flyers topped Tampa Bay 6-1 to end their series in six, the Avalanche beat the Canneks 3-2 to take it in five and the Blues completed a six-game knockom of the Maple Leafs with 2-1 victo-

The playoffs cootinued last night with Pittsburgh at Washington, New York Rangers at Montreal and Detroit at Winnipeg, with all visiting teams holding 3-2

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The Flyers finally got rid of pesky Tampa Bay, as Bob Corkum had a back-breaking goal and two assists.

The Flyers took the last three games against the Lightning, who gave them a surprisingly stiff test in their first

Bines 2, Maple Leafs 1 Steve Leach scored with 5:57 left as the host Blues advanced to the second. round of the playoffs for the first time in three seasons.

The Blues lost in the first round to Vancouver in Mile Keenin's first season as general manager and coach. -Avalanche 3, Canneles 2

Joe Sakie scored the winning goal for the second straight game as the visiting Avalanche beat Vanconver and advanced to the second round of

the NHL playoffs.

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### United moves nearer to title

LONDON (AP) - Manchester United romped to a 5-0 victory over Nottingham Forest and a sixpoint lead in the English title race yesterday to leave Newcastle with a huge task to stop the Reds winning their third title in four years. David Beckham struck two goals and Paul Scholes, Ryan Giggs and Fric Cantona added

powered Forest before some 54,000 fans at Old Trafford. Although it has three games to play to Manchester United's one, Newcastle needs to win at Leeds today to stand any chance of stay-

others as Manchester United over-

ing in contention. Three goals by English star Paul Gascoigne earned Glasgow Rangers its eighth Scottish league title in a row after a come-frombehind 3-1 victory over Aberdeen. Aberdeen stunned the 47,000 Rangers fans at Ibrox by taking the lead through Brian Irvine after 19 minutes. But Gascoigne leveled for the reigning titlist two minutes later, weaving past two defenders after collecting the ball. Nine minutes from the end, the

talented English midfielder struck again and he fired his third from the penalty spot in the 86th.

The result puts Rangers four points clear of Glasgow rival

Celtic with one game to go and now it aims to tie Celtic's record of nine titles in a row. Meanwhile Derby became the second team to gain one of the automatic promotion spots to the

English Premier League by downing third place Crystal Palace 2-1.
While Derby goes up with leading club Sunderland, Palace most now try again through a play-off with the teams that end up fourth, fifth and sixth.

Dean Sturridge gave Derby a third minute lead but Kenny Brown leveled for Palace three minutes later. In the 65th minute Dutck midfielder Robin van der Lazu scored the winner for Derby.

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### Halika sets national swim record

HEATHER CHAIT

MICKEY Halika took another step towards Atlanta when he set a new national swimming record in the international tournament which ended in Vienna yesterday. In the 200 meter individual medicy, Halika finished in third place in 2:06.08, smashing the

record of 2:07.94 previously held by Gilad Chen: Halika's individual times were. butterfly 27.93, backstroke 32.78, breastroke 36.22 and freestyle

A real duel developed between Eran Garumi and Dan Kutler in the 100m butterfly with both swimmers vying for a place on the Olympic relay team.

Garumi finished second in a time of 55.64 while Kutler was just behind him, in third place and 55.76. Both their times were within the Olympic criterion of 56.00 but at present. Kutler has the slight advantage over Garumi for Atlanta since he was part of the original relay team. In other results, Yoav Meiri fin-

ished the 100m butterfly in 56.42,

Eytan Orbach was fifth in the 50m freestyle with 24.11 and Oren Azrad clocked 24.39 in the same "These results, in an Olympicsize pool, prove that the development in Israeli swimming is not coincidental," said chairman of the Israel Swimming Association,

Pini Peled, adding that "even though Yoav Bruck and Vadim

Alexsev did not compete, the

### results have been excellent."

SCOREBOARD AUSTRALIAN RULES FOOTBALL — Collated weekend results of fifth-round Australian Football Lesgae matches: Brisbane Bears 24.14 (158) def. Fitzroy 6.13 (49); St. Kilda 16.20 (116) def. Footbarny 13.12 (70); Cariton 12.14 (36) def. West Coast Esgles 12.13 (85); Geelong 13.13 (91) def. Richmond 12.16 (85); North Melbourne 23.14 (152) def. Adelaide 17.11 (113); Fremantle Dockers 13.18 (96) def. Melbourne 8.11 (59); Collingwood 17.15 (117) def. Essendon 16.9 (165); Sydney 13.10 (88) def. Hawthorn 11.10 (76).

SOCCER -- AC Milan clincined its fourth Italian Serie A soccer title in five years yesterday when it beat Florentina 3-1 at the San Siro studium.

Three goals from Nigerian star Finidi George heiped European champion Ajax Amsterdam clinck its third Detch title in a row yesterday with in a 5-1 crushing

LOCAL RUGBY - Israel's national rugby team lost to Creatia 21-6 on Saturday in the second game of the preliminary qualifying round of the FIRA European Tourntment.

Israel's points came from two penalties while the host team can in two tries but failed to convert, picking up their remaining points from two penalties.

HOCKEY - Yesterday's carry scores in the World Ice Hockey Championships: Russia 6, Austria 9; Czech Republic 9, Italy 5. BASEBALL—Saturday's NL results: Plotadelphia 3, Cincinnati 2; Atlanta 7, St. Louis 2; Colorado 6, Montreal 5 (13); San Francisco 6, Florida 3; New York 7, Pittsburgh 4; Chicago 4, Los Angeles 3 (10); Houston 6, San Diego 8.

Saturday's AL results: Kansas City 10, Boston 0; Toronto 11, Cleveland 6; Oshkand 4, Detroit 1; Texas 4, Bultimore 2; Scattle 6, Milwankee 5; Minnesota 8, New York 6 (10); Chicago 2, California 1.

BASKETBALL -- Mike Dunleavy was fired as coach of the Milwankee Backs on BASKETBALL.—Make Dunnerry was mreu as court of the Milwankee Bucks on Saturday but was retained as general manager.

The Bucks posted three of the franchise's four worst records during Danleavy's tenure and had a franchise worst 15-game loging streak in March.

CRICKET - Early results of English Benson and Hedges Cup cricket matches yesterday. At Cheinsford: Easex best Middlesex by five wickets. Middlesex 159-30 Shacain 67 not out). At Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire bent Scotland by seven wickets. Scotland 172-9 innings closed; Nottinghamshire 174-3 off 28.1 evers (C. Tolley 66, P. Johnson

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#### WHAT'S ON

**TELEVISION** 

6:30 News 6:45 Exercise Hour 7:00

8:00 Revolutions in the modern era

8:30 Learning to read 8:45 Science of Nature 9:00 Nature 9:25 Sesame

Street 10:00 On Second Thoughts -

### CRITIC'S CHOICE

#### THEATER HELEN KAYE

LELYO (Zyika Hadar, alias Jojo Halastra) likes beds, especially those of pretty young women. He also likes disguises. He also lies a lot which brings him grief in Carlo Goldoni's 1750 comedy, The Liar. Roni Pinkowitz directs and Edna Sobol has done the colorful costumes for the new, boisterous Haifa Theater production which also features Albert Iluz, Arye Moskuna and Adva Edni. On the main stage today at 4:30 and 8:30 p.m. (Hebrew)

DANGEROUS Corner, one of English playwright J.B. Priestley's early works, centers on the idea that sometimes it's best to let sleeping dogs lie, especially if the truth leads to death. The soldout Sifria Theater production is directed by Mitko Buzakov and stars Alon Ofir, Rafi Weinstock and Aviva Marks as Mrs. Mockridge. Tonight and tomorrow only at the Sifria in Ramat Gan at 8:30 p.m.

#### **CLASSICAL MUSIC**

MICHAEL AJZENSTADT

THE Brigham Young University Chamber Orchestra makes its

local debut performing two new commissioned works. Merill Bradshaw's Song of Life is dedicated to Jerusalem's 3,000th anniversary and to all those who died in the battle for peace; including Yitzhak Rabin. Israeli composer Oded Zehavi based Rainbow on verses from Genesis; the orchestra will be joined in the work by the Ankor Children's Choir. Also on the program are Mozart's Piano Concerto K.453 with Avner Hanani at the piano, and compositions by Hummel. Barber and others. At 5 p.m. today at the Henry Crown Symphony Hall in Jerusalem as part of the Etnahta chamber-music series, which is free to the public. Other performances are at 8:30 Thursday at the Tel Aviv Museum and May 7 at Beit Gavriel by the Kinneret.

#### DANCE

MICHAEL AJZENSTADT

WIM Vandekeybus, one of today's most exciting



Zvika Hadar (front, left) and the gang in Carlo Goldoni's "The Liar" at the Haifa Theater.

and daring choreographers, premieres a new work, Exhaustion from Dreamt Love, with the Batsheva Dance Company. This is the first time the Belgian choreographer is working outside his own company. It is to be presented at the Tel Aviv Performing Arts Center tomorrow through Saturday. Also on the program is Ohad Naharin's 10-year-old Tabula Raso, danced to music by Arvo Part, All shows are 8:30, except 1 Friday and 9 Saturday.

#### TELEVISION

RUTH KERN

IF confession is good for the soul, then the fares in tonight's edition of Another America are getting more than the dollar value on the meter. The subject at 8 p.m. on the Discovery Channel is "Confession in a Cab." In it, New York City taxi passengers have their say.

#### CRYPTIC CROSSWORD

#### ACROSS

- 5 One requiring oxygen on receiving a note about the return of a tiresome person
- 8 Expansion of a popular line
- 9 Reasons for disliking coffee? (7)
- 10 Some chap is happy to be imitative (5)
- 11 Restored a gown which was discovered in the grass (9)
- 13 For a high temperature some might take a herb (8) 14 A blooming river! (6) 17 One member proved to be a mischievous fellow (3)
- 19 Went off fast (3) 20 Girl took nothing in off the symphony (6)
- 23 Was helpful to know that the donkey's name was Edward (8)
- 26 Collection for present to party member (9) 28 Comes down on real estate
- 29 Takes a note of the time (7) 30 Carol was around the vessel at last sighting (8)
- 31 Sacks of weapons (6) DOWN
- 1 Get in a flap if served with rice (6)
- 2 Carry out, complete (7) 3 It could be the garlic making us sleepy (9) 4 Aim at a church tower (8) 5 Display skill with a plane
- 6 Defeats large crowds (5)
- ? Pestered by a nocturnal beast (8)
- 12 Wee woelly animal (3) 15 Make a law about a supporter who is not on time (9)
- 16 Another gift fair advertised by writing on
- the wall (8)
- 18 The smartest possible thing to put on the bed (8)
- 21 Airmen returning from a long way off (3) 22 Let us in to concoct
- something in the kitchen
- 24 Sugary solutions held up
- for a year in the ocean going vessel (6) 25 Signed letters for a purpose
- 27 Uniform for a peer? (5)

#### SOLUTIONS



Quick Solution

ACROSS: 1 Delicate, 7 Bases, 8 Youngster, S Awa, 10 Pogo, 11 Classy, 13 Fiddle, 14 Unison, 17 Always, 18 Spec, 26 New, 22 Run to seed, 23 Risky, 24 Blighter. DOWN: 1 Dry up. 2 Lounged, 3 Cage, 4 Tettle, 5 Islay, 6 Unknown, 7 Erzaing, 12 Flowery, 12 Foundry, 15 Sepient, 10 Hymnal, 17 Awash, 19 Cedar, 21 Pong.

#### QUICK CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Order (7) 5 Ball (5) 8 Boredom (5) 9 Applauded (7)

10 To e limited 12 Drink (3) metals (8) 14 Pursues (6)

24 Patients' sitting

area (7)

17 Nervous twitch (3) 11 Unwilling (9) 18 The last two competitors? (9) 20 Small bird (7) 21 The same again (5) 23 Salt petre (5)

DOWN 1 Inexpensive (5) 2 Chep (3) 3 Sharpness (7) 4 Non-violent (6) 5 Log (5)

undue (avouritism (9) 7 Captivates (7) 13 Craftsman (7) 15 Leave (7) 16 Chewed (6)

18 Comical play (5)

22 Small number (3)

19 Outburst (5)

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#### CHANNEL 1

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Good Morning Israel

**EDUCATIONAL TV** 

15:55 Rex 16:20 Garfield 16:50 Zap to Dovele 16:59 A New Evening 17:34 Zap to hosting 18:15 News in English ARABIC PROGRAMS 18:30 Sport magazine 19:00 News in

14:25 in the land of dreams 15:00

Arabic HEBREW PROGRAMS 19:30 Every Evening with Merav Michaeli 20:00 Mabat News 20:45 Popolitica 22:00 Danny Sanderson 23:00 Backtrack with Ehud Manor and studio guests 23:30 News 00:00 Verse of the Day

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13:00 Talking with Danny Roup 14:00 Edge of the Wilderness - new adven-ture series about a group of delin-quents 14:30 Tick Tack 15:00 Super Duper - new children's drama series buper – rew challers drains series staming Tzahi Noy as the owner of a department store for children. His intentions are good, but his plans always go awry. 15:30 Trick or Treat – drama series 16:00 The Bold and the grama senes 16:00 The Bold and the Beautiful 17:00 News magazine with Rafi Reshef 17:30 A matter of time 18:00 Senta Berbara 19:00 Baywatch 20:00 News 20:30 It's a Deal 20:30 Zehu Zeh – Live comedy 21:40 Dan Shilon Live 23:15 Sirens – Police drama series 00:00 News 00:05 Sirens continued 00:20 Studs 00:45 Starsky and Hutch 1:35 Into the Night 2:00 On the Edge of the Shelf

#### JORDAN TV

12:35 Steel Cowboy (1978) Starring James Brolin and Rip Torn (100 mins.) 14:15 Clips of the Unexpected 14:40 Growing Pains 15:05 South by Southeast 15:30 Jimmy tha Kid (1983) ~ a band of bungling criminals kidnaps the son of a wealthy country singer. Starring Paul Le Mat and Gary

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#### MIDDLE EAST TV

14:00 The 700 Club 14:55 Corregidor (1943) - love triangle set in the Philippines during World War II, Starring Otto Kruger, Elisse Landi and Donald Woods, (71 mins.) 16:30 Dennis tha Menace 16:55 Mask 17:20 Fables of the Green Forest 17:45 Another Life 18:10 Magnum 19:10 The A-Taam 20:00 World News Tonight (Arabic) 20:30 CNN Headline News 21:00 The Bill Cosby Show 21:30 Diagnosis Murder 22:20 Snowy River 23:30 700 Club 00:00 Special

#### CABLE

#### RITV 3 (33)

17:00 Cartoons 17:30 The Nike Still Flows 18:30 Panorame 19:00 News in Arabic 19:30 Songs We Loved 20:00 Mabat News 21:00 Burning Secret (1988) - An amoral baron nursing a World War I injury seeks to get into the good graces of an attractive woman by forming a friendship with her 12-year-old impressionable and asthmatic son. Starring Fave Dunaway and Klaus Maria Brandauer.

#### 属 ETV 2 (23)

15:30 Hey Dad 16:00 Mathematics for Bagrut 16:30 Reveletions and Discoveries 17:00 Great Discoveries - cartoon series, George Stephenson, inventor of the steam locomotive 17:30 Time Out 18:00 Conversations with public figures about the environ-ments in which they operate 18:30 Family Relations 19:00 Basic Arabic 19:30 Reflection 20:00 A New Evening (with Russian subilities) 20:30 Preparing for Bagrut 21:00 Medicine Demystified 21:30 Looking al Health 22:30 Pevolutions in the

#### IN FAMILY CHANNEL (3)

8:00 Falcon Crest (rpt) 9:00 One Life to Live (rpt) 9:45 The Young and the Restless (rpt) 10:30 Second Time Around 10:55 W/RKP in Cincinnati 11:25 Celeste (rpt) 12:10 Neighbors (rpt) 12:35 Dallas (rpt) 13:30 Starting al 1:30 14:05 The A Team 14:55 Falcon Crest 15:45 Melrose Place 16:40 Neighbors 17:10 Dallas 18:00 One Life to Live 18:45 The Young and the Restless 19:30 Local broadcast the Restless 19:30 Local broadcast 20:00 Celeste 20:50 Married with Children 21:15 Nanny 21:40 Mad About You 22:05 Frasler 22:30 Murphy Brown 23:20 Mad About You Sisters 00:35 Babylon 5 1:20 Knots Landing

#### III MOVIE CHANNEL (4)

10:30 Tha Pope Musl Die (1991) - an honest, humble priest is mistakenly made pope, and he finds himself in conflict with the Church. (95 mlns.) (ppt) 12:10 Industrial Symphony No. 1 (1989) (npt) 13:05 Letters from an Unknown Woman (1948) (npt) 14:35 Hell Hatth No Fury (12991) - jitted woman seeks revenge by killing her lover and framing his widow (88 mins) (mt) 16:00 Special Report on Beyond Rangoon 16:15 Family of Special Rangoon 16:15 Femily of Strangers (1993) (rpt) 17:50 Rebel High (1987) — parody of high-school movies (81 mins.) 19:15 Death Before Dawn (1992) — a woman who tries to leave a violent husband is confronted by a hired killer (93 mins.) 20:45 Cinema News 21:00 The Road to Mecca (1991) - an eccentric widow has a mystic vision and sets up a sculpture garden made to resemble Mecca (104

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WITH elections just one month away, and two prime diplomatic posts being vacated, numors have been rife in the Foreign Ministry that the government will soon make two more political appointments in the foreign service.

Deputy Foreign Minister Eli Dayan, who did not get a realistic slot on Labor's list in the primaries, is being touted for the post of ambassador to the UN, while Religious Affairs Ministet Shimon Shetreet, whn also scored poorly, is said to be a leading candidate for amhassador to Egypt.

The New York posting will be vacated at the beginning of next month when Ambassadur Gad Ya'acohi winds up his term of office to assume the chairmanship of the Electric Corporation board. Amhassador David Sultan has been waiting to return from Cairo.

The appointments committee of the Foreign

Ministry is due to meet early next week to finalize the appointments to the two cities as well as to Brussels. Meanwhile, in addition to Ya'acobi, another political appointee - Benz Carmel - is due to return from Khazakhstan. Hnwever, with the appointment of Labor Minister Ora Namir to Beijing, the political appointments quota has been

Among the career diplomats, the ministry's deputy director-general for economic affairs, Oded Eran, is said to be the leading candidate for the UN, while Zvi Mazel, deputy director-general for African affairs, is believed to be in the lead for the

Cairo posting.
In the ministry, the workers' committee is bracing itself for a confrontation if the government requests political appointees above the quota of 11.

# Likud unveils new jingle

THE Likud revealed its campaign jingle and accompanying video Clip yesterday afternoon.
Overhauling its recent campaign style, the Likud this year is

aiming at young voters with a soft folk-pop song on the secure peace theme and a message stressing Binyamin Netanayhu's youth. Unlike the jingles of previous years, with their march-like beat.

the Likud this year went for the personal singer-song writer style. Only two voices are heard -singers Shlomi Shahbat and Ophira Yosefi - in a melodic, almost-wistful tune. This is quite a departure from everything the other parties have thus far unveiled. Labor continued in the same march-like style, reminis-cent of the Likud's 1992 jingle.

Likud information drive head MK Limor Livnat stressed that "this is not a jingle - it's a song."
She said the Likud thinks that most of the floating voters are

young, mostly first-time voters. The lyrics say: "I want a quiet peaceful tomorrow/ I want a world of unity and hope/ I want a secure peace/ I want a young leader/ I want security." The punch line is the Likud's slogan: "Netanyahn — making a secure

Netanyahu's image dominates the video and he is shown at the Madrid peace conference, with US President Bill Clinton, at the UN General Assembly, at his wife's side, making a point with his fist, and smiling confidently. At one point he says, underscoring the lyrics in the background, "Peace is coming home safely."

The lyrics also contend that "nnly the Likud can hring a peace agreement on which the entire nation can unite - left and right."

The Likud's official campaign kickoff takes place tnuight at the International Convention Center

### Knesset lists poses few problems for panel

LIAT COLLINS

ONLY a few, minor problems in the lists of parties' Knesset candidates have been discovered by Central Elections

At a meeting yesterday, the committee heard a report in which 36 defects were found

The most common problem, in 12 cases, was of unclear addresses. In six cases, candidates were discovered in unrealistic spots to be younger than the 21-year minimum age

requirement. Other problems include discrepancies in identity card numbers; forms which had not been correctly filled out or signed; or lists which had consent forms which did not match the booklet each party submitted.

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According to CEC director Tami Edri, today is the last date that parties can rectify the mistakes in their lists but she said none of the problems found wete serious.

Tomorrow, the CEC is scheduled to discuss the request by left-wing groups to han the Yemin Yisrael party from running for the Knesset on the grounds that it incites tn racism hy supporting the idea of trans-fer for the Arah population.

The party was formed hy Moledet hreakaway MK Shaul Gutman, who claims it is not fair to nullify his party when Moledet supports the same idea.

The final discussions on all the parties, their names, and the initials they can use on the hallot slips will be held on Sunday.

HOLISTIC APPROACH

#### Ze'evi hopes Likud will be dependent on Moledet

SARAH HONIG

MOLEDET leader Rehavam Ze'evi expressed hope yesterday that Likud candidate Binyamin Netanyahu would win the premiership but would be unable to form a coalition without Moledet.

Ze'evi was speaking at a press conference in which he revealed his party's new campaign slogan

and jingle.
What Ze'evi would like to emerge from the elections "is a situation in which Netanyahu will have no coalition without Moledet and then, if he wants to meet with Yasser Arafat and negotiate with him, we will bolt his coalition." The portfolio Ze evi would like

in a possible Netanyahu govern-ment is environment, he said.

The party's slogan and jingle both have the identical one-liner "only Moledet in the Right." Ze'evi said this slogan barely won over a competing slogan "Moledet (homeland) or Falastin.

Also appearing at the press conference were Moledet's two new Knesset candidates - Benny Elon and Meshulam Amit.

Maj.-Gen. (tes.) Yossi Ben-Hanan, who is not a candidate, will star in Moledet's TV ads.

when it adopts Labor ideas

A youngster cook off with ice cream yesterday in downtown Jerusalem. Temperatures are expected to rise further today, until the heat wave comes to an end later this week.

(Briss Headler)

Ramon: Likud is duping voters

campaign, whose launching had been delayed due to Operation Grapes of Wrath, will focus on the floating voters, estimated at 11 percent to 15%. New immigrants and young voters will get special attention, he said.

MICHAL YUDELMAN

ing marking the official kick-off of He noted that the successful operation in Lebanon, the cancellation of the Palestine Covenant, and the agreement on cooperation in fighting terrorism Peres is about to sign in Washington are all achieve-

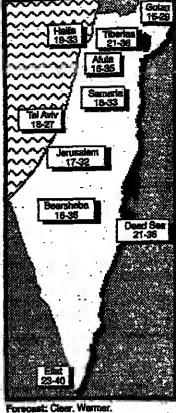
ments of this government.

Barak called the operation an important military success to reinstate and improve the 1993 understandings which had been broken by the Hizbullah, with Iranian help.

The operation's two main goals stopping the Katyushas on the Galilee and ensuring the IDF's freedom of action—were achieved without a single IDF fatality, and with the killing of more terrorists

than in a whole year, Barak said. He pointed out that "the Likud's attempt to jump on Labor's bandwagón in its systematic adoption of Labor's ideas one by one is the tiltimate proof that the Rabin and Peres governments have won the public over and created faits accomplis, both vis-a-vis the territories and the peace process with

Ramon added that with the end of Operation Grapes of Wrath, he hoped the Arabs will resume their. support of Peres and Labor.



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Winning cards

In yesterday's Mifal Hapayis daily Chance card draw, the lucky cards were the jack of spades, 9 of hearts, queen of diamonds, and 7 of clubs.

#### Ben-Eliezer noted that Labor's Wheat-grass juice tested as colitis treatment

THE Likud is trying "to dupe the public by adopting Labor's ideas ... hy disguising itself as something it isn't and has no intention

of being," Labor campaign infor-mation chairman Minister Haim

He was speaking at a press brief-

Labor's campaign, together with campaign chairman Binyamin

Ben-Eliezer and Prime Minister

Shimon Peres's personal cam-

tion of Labor, to give the public what it wants, leads to a blurring

of its own positions, so the voters

don't know what the Likud's posi-

tion is on anything anymore."

Ramon said the Likud's "imita-

Ramon said yesterday.

paign head Ehud Barak.

THE juice of the wheat-grass plant, found in health food stores, is being tested as a possible treatment for ulcerative colitis, a severe, chronic inflammation of the large intestine and rectum that

affects more than 1,500 Israelis.

The clinical trials are being carried out at the Hadassah-University Hospital in Jerusalem's Ein Kerem and are open nnly to sufferers of the disease who are in the midst of an acute attack, said Dr. Eran Ben-Arye, who is coordinating the research. A preliminary study of 10 patients was completed, with eight of them reporting improvement in their condition even though wheat-grass juice

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was the only change in their diet and their drug treatment had not been amended.

Ben-Arye said that the juice will be fresh, prepared by squeezing the wheat-grass. It is rich is chlorophyll, vitamins A, C and E, iron, calcium, and magnesium. A control group will receive a green-colored juice with the same taste but not made from wheatgrass; in the double-blind, twomonth study, no one will know who is getting the real thing until the results are disclosed.

The condition is usually diagnosed between 10 and 30, with pro-

fuse watery diarrhea containing varying amounts of blood, mucus, and pus. The cause is not known, but it is more common among Jews of Ashkenazi origin. Other symptoms are weight loss, anemia, pain, fever, severe intestinal pain and chills, and some patients cannot function normally. Children may

suffer retarded physical growth. Treatment with steroids and other anti-inflammatory drugs may help control the symptoms but can be dangerous in themselves. The only permanent cure is removal of the affected parts of the intestine.

Patients interested in participating should call Dr. Ben-Arye at (02) 410146.

#### PA Police officer arrested in Area C

AN armed Palestinian Police officer with a rank equivalent to lieutenant-colonel was arrested by Israeli policemen at the Tzofim junction near Kalkilya. The junction is in area C, which Palestinian policemen are forbidden to enter under the Oslo accords, unless they have first cleared the move with

### **NEWS IN BRIEF**

Conference on treating sexually abused children A conference on the treatment of those who suffered sexual abuse as children opens today at Herzog Memorial Hospital-Ezrat Nashim in Jerusalem. The three-day event will feature lectures by Prof. Uno van der Hart, from the University of

Utrecht in Holland. Herzog psychologist Dr. Daniel Brom said the subject was chosen because it is "so neglected" in Israel. Treatment includes helping patients to recall traumatic memories, leading to person-

### Optional matriculation exams announced

The matriculation (bagrut) exams that will be optional for 12th graders this year are Bible, literature, and history, the Education Ministry announced yesterday. Students will not have to pay for exams which are optional.

This is the second year the ministry has held a computerized

raffle to select the option exams, a move aimed at easing the exam load on high school students.

Jerusalem Post Staff

#### Autopsy reveals priest died of gluttony

A Franciscan friar found dead near the Church of the Holy Sepulchre choked to death after overcating and drinking, police

The friar was identified as Claudio Mateo Medina, 30, of Mexico. His body was found Saturday on the floor of his room, at a residence for clergy beside the church.

Jerusalem police spokesman Shmuel Ben-Ruby said Medina apparently collapsed on a stairwell and crawled to his room, 



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